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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Mandatory Reporting Rule (MRR) is an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-led endeavor to gather information about greenhouse gases (GHGs). GHGs are any atmospheric gases that contribute to the greenhouse gas effect (solar warming of the Earth). The objective is to determine which greenhouse gases are being emitted, how much of those greenhouse gases are being emitted, and from which industry sectors those greenhouse gases are being emitted. A facility subject to the MRR is considered compliant by submitting an annual greenhouse gas emissions report to the EPA. This purpose of this document is to serve as a guide for Air Force installations and MRR compliance.

### MRR Process

The intent of the MRR is to gather GHG information from large emitters. Therefore, there are certain criteria to determine if a facility is even subject to the MRR. Generally, a facility is property that is under common control that emits or may emit any greenhouse gas. Military installations are complex in nature and can be separated into more than a single facility based on distinct and independent functional groupings. Installations can also be defined as separate facilities based on common control, such as facilities under the control of different military services.

### Source Categories

The EPA has compiled a number of source categories that may be subject to MRR reporting. If no source category is present, then the facility is not subject to the MRR. The only source category that triggers reporting for military facilities is 40 CFR 98 Subpart C Stationary Fuel Combustion sources.

### MRR Applicability

The presence of a source category at a facility does not necessarily subject that facility to reporting. Some source categories have threshold criteria that trigger reporting. Therefore, a facility is tasked with determining if those thresholds have been exceeded. Based on a review of the MRR source categories and the Air Program Information Management System (APIMS), **the only source category that triggers reporting for Air Force facilities is Stationary Fuel Combustion** (Subpart C) sources. Figure E-1. *Is the MRR Applicable to My Installation* illustrates applicability for the Air Force.

### Reporting

An annual emissions report must be generated and submitted to the EPA via electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT). E-GGRT is an online tool developed for MRR reporting. Users register the facility in e-GGRT and input data to quantify emissions. Each source category has specific calculations used when generating these annual reports. Reports are due by March 31 and reflect the previous year's annual emissions. The MRR allows for cessation of reporting when emissions fall below 25,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2e</sub>) for five consecutive

years or 15,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e for three consecutive years. CO<sub>2</sub>e is a way to express quantities of greenhouse gases relative to the global warming potential of carbon dioxide. **No Air Force installation should report for anything other than stationary fuel combustion units.**

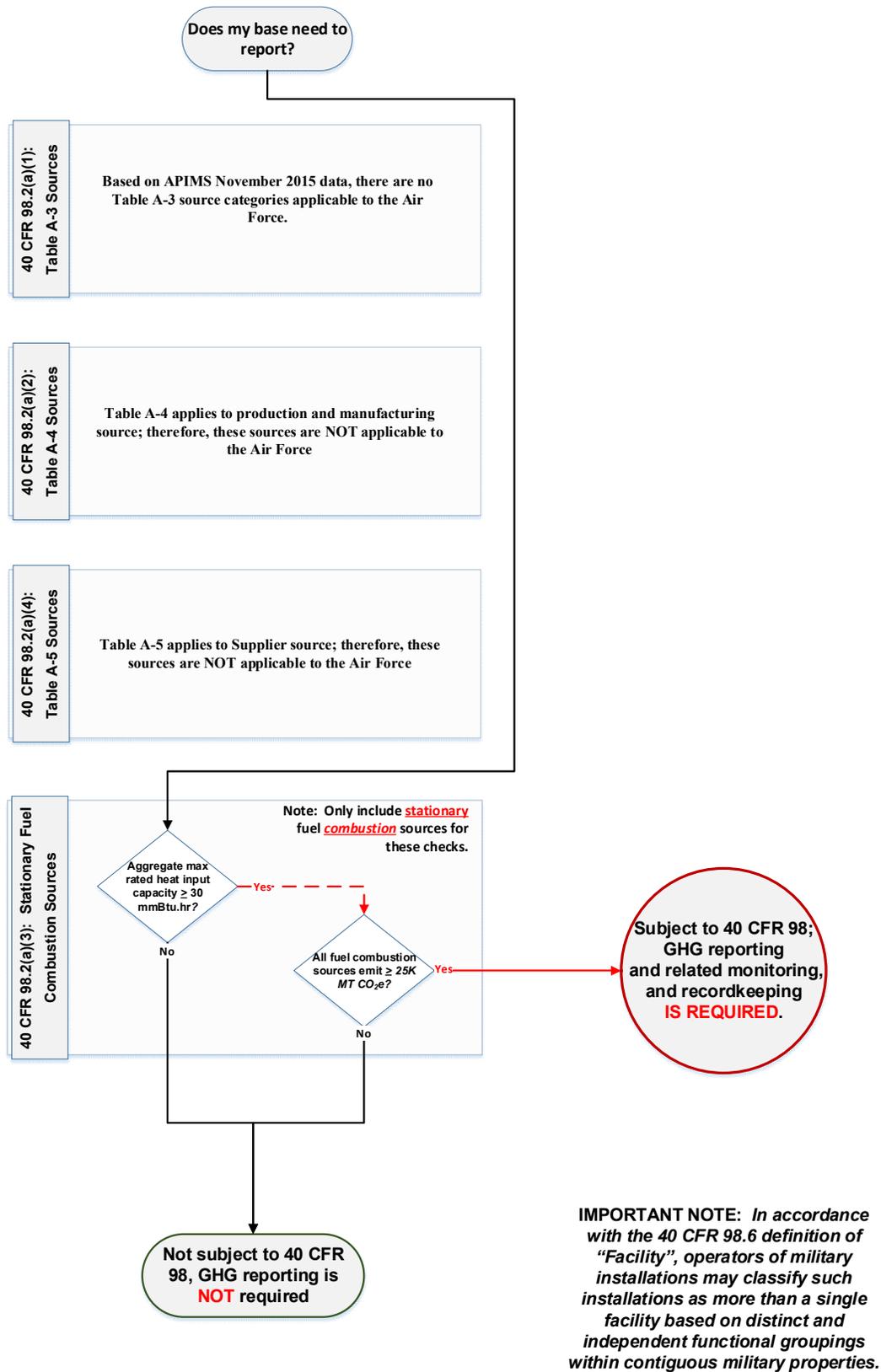


Figure E-1. Is the MRR Applicable to My Installation

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## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Purpose

This guide is intended to be used solely as an Air Force tool and as general guidance for compliance with the Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule (MRR). The information conveyed in this Guide is dynamic and subject to change depending on rules promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Regulatory requirements may be issued or revised after publication of this guidance document. The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and the Federal Register (FR) should be consulted for updates as this guide is based on the April 2015 40 CFR 98. Citations to the regulatory text in the CFR are used throughout this guide to refer the reader to the appropriate regulatory sections for more information.

Submit annual emissions reports to the EPA electronically using an electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT), which is accessed through the EPA's e-GGRT website. The results are made available to the general public through the EPA's online tool, Facility Level Information on GreenHouse gases Tool (FLIGHT).

This guide addresses the MRR as it pertains to and affects United States Air Force (USAF) installations. The procedures in this guide are consistent with all current Federal requirements for adherence to this rule. Additionally, this guide clarifies questions regarding: the definition of a facility, who is subject to reporting, State GHG Reporting versus MRR, Air Force sources subject to reporting, emissions calculations, reporting of emissions, and MRR reporting exit strategies.

Any questions concerning this document, and/or requests for additional information pertaining to MRR, should be directed to the Air Quality Subject Matter Expert; AFCEC Compliance Technical Support Branch (AFCEC/CZTQ); 250 Donald Goodrich Drive; Building #1650; Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX 78226.

### 1.2 Background

Greenhouse gases (GHG)s help regulate Earth's temperature. Figure 1-1 *Simple Illustration of Global Warming* illustrates the concept of global warming. Incoming solar radiation from the sun enters and passes through Earth's atmosphere. Though some of this radiation is reflected back into space via clouds and small particles, most of it is absorbed by Earth, where it warms the surface of the planet. The absorbed energy is reemitted as long wave radiation to the atmosphere. Greenhouse gases absorb this long wave radiation, effectively impeding the escape of heat from the Earth's atmosphere into space. Subsequently, the inability of heat to escape the Earth's atmosphere results in an increase in temperature. The presence of naturally existing greenhouse gases in the atmosphere has resulted in increased surface temperatures, making it possible for the Earth to sustain life.

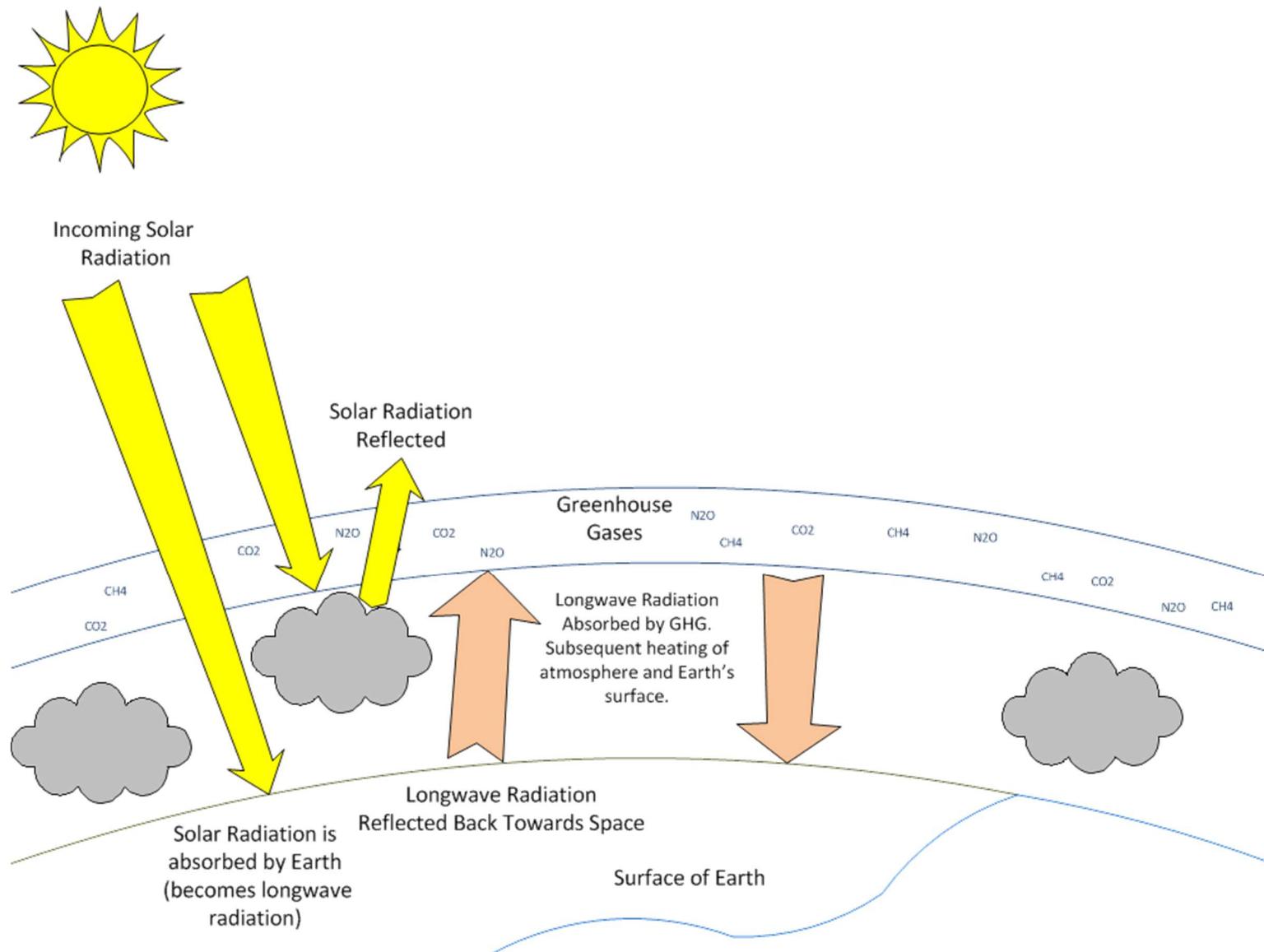


Figure 1-1 Simple Illustration of Global Warming

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It is generally accepted that anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are causing an abnormal rate of warming and an acceleration of climate change. The primary GHGs of concern for the MRR are carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O), and fluorinated compounds.

### 1.3 Regulatory Context

The MRR, found in 40 CFR Part 98, is a significant component of the EPA's strategy to track emissions of greenhouse gases. The EPA was directed in 2007 to design a registry for tracking national GHG emissions. Authority for the EPA to develop the MRR falls under the Clean Air Act (CAA), Sections 114 and 208. Published in 2009, the MRR is designed to create a national database for recording and tracking of GHG emissions. Previously, the EPA did not have a comprehensive method for tracking GHG emissions data that was connected to a specific facility or to an industrial category. The database is intended to collect information regarding the quantities of GHGs that are being emitted and identify those industry sectors where emissions are occurring. The information derived from the data is intended to help guide future EPA policy. In addition, the EPA uses this information to meet international commitments under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). Generally, most small facilities are not affected by this rule.

#### 1.3.1 State Greenhouse Gas Requirements

Some states, such as California, Florida, New York, and New Mexico, have their own additional requirements for reporting GHG emissions. The MRR is a separate greenhouse gas reporting requirement and submission of emissions reports to the state does not exclude an entity subject to MRR from MRR reporting to the EPA. Furthermore, the submission of a MRR report to the EPA does not exempt an entity from submitting separate reports that satisfy state GHG reporting requirements.

#### 1.3.2 Tailoring Rule

The purpose of the Tailoring Rule is to establish regulatory thresholds for GHG emissions. Initially, the Tailoring Rule applied to facilities that were required to have Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) permits or Title V permits. The Tailoring Rule was then applied to sources of GHGs, requiring sources of emissions that exceed EPA established thresholds to obtain the applicable PSD or Title V permit.

On 13 June 2014, the Supreme Court maintained that the EPA did have some authority under the CAA to regulate GHG emissions from new and modified stationary sources. However, the Court also found that the EPA cannot treat GHGs as air pollutants for the purpose of defining Major Sources for PSD and Title V permitting (*Utility Air Regulatory Group v. EPA*, No. 12-1146; 23 June 2013). In other words, a source cannot be classified as "Major" based solely on its GHG emissions; however, PSD and Title V requirements for GHGs still stand if a source is considered "Major" due to emissions levels of other criteria pollutants ("Anyway" Major Sources). Therefore,

it is imperative that the Tailoring Rule and MRR are treated distinctly and separately. The Tailoring Rule is regulatory in nature and is concerned with a facility's *potential to emit* GHG emissions while the MRR is used to report *actual* GHG emissions.

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## 2 MANDATORY GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING RULE (MRR)

### 2.1 Introduction

In October of 2009, the EPA published the MRR requiring annual reporting of GHG data from a wide range of sectors (74 FR 56260). This rule applies to fossil fuel suppliers and industrial gas suppliers, direct greenhouse gas emitters, and manufacturers of heavy-duty/off-road vehicles and engines.

Greenhouse gases are assigned a Global Warming Potential (GWP), which is a measure of how much heat the gas traps in the atmosphere calculated over a specific time interval, typically 100 years. The higher the GWP, the greater the potential for the gas to trap heat, and the more harmful the gas is regarded. CO<sub>2</sub> is used as the baseline gas and assigned a GWP of 1. Emissions of GHGs may be converted into equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> (CO<sub>2</sub>e) by taking the product of each GHG emission factor and its respective GWP. The total GHG emissions are calculated by summing all emissions from each gas.

The GHGs subject to the MRR include carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, sulfur hexafluoride, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons and other fluorinated gases

- **Carbon Dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>):** CO<sub>2</sub> enters the atmosphere via the combustion of fossil fuels (oil, natural gas, and coal), solid waste, trees and wood products, and as a result of other chemical reactions. CO<sub>2</sub> is also removed from the atmosphere (or “sequestered”) when it is absorbed by plants as part of the biological carbon cycle.
- **Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>):** CH<sub>4</sub> is emitted during the production and transport of coal, natural gas, and oil. Methane emissions also result from livestock and other agricultural practices, as well as by the decay of organic waste in municipal solid waste (MSW) landfills.
- **Nitrous Oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O):** N<sub>2</sub>O is emitted during agricultural and industrial activities, as well as during the combustion of fossil fuels and solid waste.
- **Fluorinated Gases:** Hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride (SF<sub>6</sub>) are powerful synthetic greenhouse gases that are emitted from a variety of industrial processes. These gases are usually emitted in smaller quantities, but they are potent greenhouse gases with high GWPs.

A facility subject to the MRR needs to ensure data integrity. To provide such data, take measures to accurately and consistently quantify emission data for compliance and provide the EPA with reliable data to guide future GHG policy. The compiled data will assist the EPA in addressing

GHG emissions and climate change and improve the government's ability to create climate policies (74 FR 56260).

Sections 114 and 208 of the Clean Air Act give the EPA the authority to require the information requested by the EPA because it enables the EPA to perform a variety of Clean Air Act provisions. This ruling is also consistent with the Congressional request within the FY2008 Consolidated Appropriations Act.

## 2.2 Who is subject to the MRR?

Owners and operators of certain facilities that directly emit GHGs, as well as certain suppliers, are subject to the MRR. For military purposes, the owner of the facility is the federal government (which is managed by the Bureau of Land Management) and the operator is the military entity (i.e., the specific installation) responsible for operations at the facility. The operator is the entity responsible for MRR compliance. The MRR applies only to USAF installations that meet the threshold requirements listed in 40 CFR 98, Subpart A. Applicability provisions for direct emitters of GHGs are summarized in tables referred to in 40 CFR 98.2(a)(1), (2), and (3). These tables are presented here as Table 2-1. *Source Categories and USAF Applicability*, Table 2-2. *Source Category List*, and Table 2-3. *Source Categories (Suppliers)*.

The owners or operators of any facility located in the United States, U.S. territories, or under/attached to the Outer Continental Shelf (as defined in 43 U.S.C. 1331) that meet any of the following conditions must report under the MRR:

- **Source Automatically Subject to Reporting:** A facility that contains any source category listed in Table 2-1 in any calendar year beginning in 2010 is automatically subject to reporting. For these facilities, the annual GHG report must cover stationary fuel combustion sources and all other applicable source categories. Most of the source categories listed in Table 2-1 relate strictly to production; therefore, they are not applicable to the Air Force. However, **there are two source categories [Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) landfills and electrical transmission/distribution equipment] that may have potentially applied to Air Force facilities. *However, based on November 2015 APIMS data, NO Air Force facilities are subject to reporting under MSW Landfills (40 CFR 98 Subpart HH) or Electrical Transmission and Distribution Equipment Use (40 CFR 98 Subpart DD) source categories.***
- **Production and Manufacturing Sources:** A facility that has any source category listed in Table 2-2 and emits 25,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e or more per year in combined emissions from stationary fuel combustion units, miscellaneous uses of carbonate, and all applicable source categories that are listed in Table 2-1 and Table 2-2, is subject to MRR. The Air

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Force is not a production or manufacturing entity; therefore, **these source categories are not applicable to the Air Force.**

- **Supply Sources:** Suppliers listed in Table 2-3 are also subject to the reporting requirements and related monitoring, and recordkeeping of the MRR. The Air Force is not a commercial entity and is not in the supply business; therefore, Table 2-3 **source categories are not applicable to the USAF.**
- **Stationary Fuel Combustion Sources:** This is an additional source category in 40 CFR 98. For these facilities, the annual GHG report must cover emissions from stationary fuel combustion sources **only**. A facility that, in any calendar year starting in 2010, meets all three of the following listed conditions is subject to the MRR:
  - The facility is not a source automatically subject to reporting.
  - The aggregate maximum rated heat input capacity of the stationary fuel combustion units at the facility is **30 Million British Thermal Units per hour (MMBtu/hr) or greater.**
  - The facility emits **25,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e or more per year** in combined emissions from all stationary fuel combustion sources.

*Note that the Stationary Fuel Combustion Unit Source Category is the only source category that may trigger the MRR at USAF facilities.*

It is important to note that research and development activities are not considered part of ANY source category subject to the Rule [40 CFR 98.2(a)(5)]. Research and development includes those activities conducted in process units or at laboratory bench-scale settings whose purpose is to conduct research and development for new processes, technologies, or products and whose purpose is not for the manufacture of products for commercial sale, except in a de minimis manner [40 CFR §98.6].

The following sources should not be included in any USAF facility's annual GHG MRR report:

- Industrial Wastewater Treatment Systems (Does not apply to any USAF systems)
- Industrial Waste Landfills (Does not apply to any USAF landfills)

**Table 2-1. Source Categories and USAF Applicability**

<b>Source Category</b>	<b>Applicable to USAF</b>
<b>Source Categories Applicable in 2010 and Future Years:</b>	
Electricity generation units that report CO <sub>2</sub> mass emissions year round through 40 CFR part 75 (subpart D)	NA, power sector
Adipic acid production (subpart E)	NA, production sector
Aluminum production (subpart F)	NA, production sector
Ammonia manufacturing (subpart G)	NA, production sector
Cement production (subpart H)	NA, production sector
HCFC-22 production (subpart O)	NA, production sector
HFC-23 destruction processes that are not collocated with HCFC-22 production facility and that destroy more than 2.14 metric tons of HFC-23 per year (subpart O)	NA, production sector
Lime manufacturing (subpart S)	NA, production sector
Nitric acid production (subpart V)	NA, production sector
Petrochemical production (subpart X)	NA, production sector
Petroleum refineries (subpart Y)	NA, production sector
Phosphoric acid production (subpart Z)	NA, production sector
Silicon carbide production (subpart BB)	NA, production sector
Soda ash production (subpart CC)	NA, production sector
Titanium dioxide production (subpart EE)	NA, production sector
Municipal solid waste landfills that generate CH <sub>4</sub> in amounts equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more per year (subpart HH)	NA, at this time, No USAF installation generates CH <sub>4</sub> in amounts equal to 25,000 metric tons or more CO <sub>2</sub> e per year
Manure management systems with combined CH <sub>4</sub> and N <sub>2</sub> O emissions in amounts equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more per year (subpart JJ)	NA
<b>Additional Source Categories Applicable in 2011 and Future Years</b>	
Electrical transmission and distribution equipment use at facilities where the total nameplate capacity of SF <sub>6</sub> and PFC containing equipment exceeds 17,820 pounds (subpart DD)	NA, at this time, No USAF installation has SF <sub>6</sub> and PFC containing equipment that exceeds total nameplate capacity of 17,820 pounds
Underground coal mines liberating 36,5000,000 actual cubic feet of CH <sub>4</sub> or more per year (subpart FF)	NA
Geologic sequestration of carbon dioxide (subpart RR)	NA
Electrical transmission and distribution equipment manufacture or refurbishment (subpart SS)	NA
Injection of carbon dioxide (subpart UU)	NA

SOURCE 40 CFR 98 Table A-3 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Table 2-2. Source Category List**

<b>Source Category</b>	<b>Applicable to USAF</b>
<b>Source Categories Applicable in 2010 and Future Years:</b>	
Ferroalloy production (subpart K).	NA, production sector
Glass production (subpart N).	NA, production sector
Hydrogen production (subpart P).	NA, production sector
Iron and steel production (subpart Q).	NA, production sector
Lead production (subpart R).	NA, production sector
Pulp and paper manufacturing (subpart AA).	NA, production sector
Zinc production (subpart GG).	NA, production sector
<b>Additional Source Categories Applicable in 2011 and Future Years</b>	
Electronics manufacturing (subpart I)	NA, production sector
Fluorinated gas production (subpart L)	NA, production sector
Magnesium production (subpart T).	NA, production sector
Petroleum and Natural Gas Systems (subpart W)	NA
Industrial wastewater treatment (subpart II).	NA
Industrial waste landfills (subpart TT).	NA

SOURCE 40 CFR 98 Table A-4 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**Table 2-3. Source Categories (Suppliers)**

<b>Source Categories</b>	<b>Applicability to USAF</b>
<b>Supplier Categories Applicable in 2010 and Future Years</b>	
Coal-to-liquids suppliers (subpart LL):	NA; This applies to suppliers
(A) All producers of coal-to-liquid products.	
(B) Importers of an annual quantity of coal-to-liquid products that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
(C) Exporters of an annual quantity of coal-to-liquid products that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
Petroleum product suppliers (subpart MM):	NA; This applies to suppliers
(A) All petroleum refineries that distill crude oil.	
(B) Importers of an annual quantity of petroleum products and natural gas liquids that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
(C) Exporters of an annual quantity of petroleum products and natural gas liquids that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
Natural gas and natural gas liquids suppliers (subpart NN):	NA; This applies to suppliers
(A) All fractionators.	
(B) Local natural gas distribution companies that deliver 460,000 thousand standard cubic feet or more of natural gas per year.	
Industrial greenhouse gas suppliers (subpart OO):	NA; This applies to suppliers
(A) All producers of industrial greenhouse gases.	
(B) Importers of industrial greenhouse gases with annual bulk imports of N <sub>2</sub> O, fluorinated GHG, and CO <sub>2</sub> that in combination are equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
(C) Exporters of industrial greenhouse gases with annual bulk exports of N <sub>2</sub> O, fluorinated GHG, and CO <sub>2</sub> that in combination are equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
Carbon dioxide suppliers (subpart PP):	NA; This applies to suppliers
(A) All producers of CO <sub>2</sub> .	
(B) Importers of CO <sub>2</sub> with annual bulk imports of N <sub>2</sub> O, fluorinated GHG, and CO <sub>2</sub> that in combination are equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
(C) Exporters of CO <sub>2</sub> with annual bulk exports of N <sub>2</sub> O, fluorinated GHG, and CO <sub>2</sub> that in combination are equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
<b>Additional Supplier Categories Applicable in 2011 and Future Years</b>	
Importers and exporters of fluorinated greenhouse gases contained in pre-charged equipment or closed-cell foams (subpart QQ):	NA; This applies to importers and exporters
(A) Importers of an annual quantity of fluorinated greenhouse gases contained in pre-charged equipment or closed-cell foams that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	
(B) Exporters of an annual quantity of fluorinated greenhouse gases contained in pre-charged equipment or closed-cell foams that is equivalent to 25,000 metric tons CO <sub>2</sub> e or more.	

SOURCE 40 CFR 98 Table A-5 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

## 2.3 MRR Applicability to Military Installations

### 2.3.1 Facility Partitioning (Disaggregating)

For purposes of the rule, the definition of facility is “any physical property, plant, building, structure, source, or stationary equipment located on one or more contiguous or adjacent properties in actual physical contact or separated solely by a public roadway or other public right-of-way and under common ownership or common control, which emits or may emit any GHG” (40 CFR 98.6).

Additionally, embedded in the definition of facility per the MRR is a specific provision that grants military facilities (i.e., installations) the ability to classify themselves as more than a single facility (i.e., facility partitioning). “Operators of military installations may classify such installations as more than a single facility based on distinct and independent functional groupings within contiguous military properties” (40 CFR 98.6). The process of dividing a facility based on functional and or distinct groupings is referred to as facility partitioning. Therefore, a facility can potentially avoid triggering the MRR when emissions are partitioned into more than one facility. ***Refer to section 2.5.1 if there are changes in operators.***

Each installation should consider the entire definition of “facility” under the MRR, including the specific provision for military facilities. One approach would be to keep an installation’s decision to subdivide into multiple facilities consistent with the application of similar provisions for defining a facility or source that is provided in EPA major source guidance for military installations (*Major Source Determinations for Military Installations under the Air Toxics, New Source Review, and Title V Operating Permit Programs of the Clean Air Act*, 2 August 1996). A facility is not required to have applied the major source guidance for installation definition previously in order to use it for the GHG reporting requirements. However, if the major source guidance has been used previously, its use for GHG reporting should be consistent with the previous application.

Several examples are provided below demonstrating how the facility definition may be applied. Installations should refer to major source guidance for more details and consult with local area USAF counsel.

- **Common Control**: Common control is, in general, the authority of the single highest commanding entity that exercises restraining or directing influence over a facility's economic or other relevant, pollutant-emitting activities. The common control authority has the power and authority to guide, manage, or regulate the pollutant-emitting activities of a facility, including the power to make or veto decisions to implement major emission-control measures to influence production levels or compliance with environmental regulations. In other words, common control should be evaluated at the highest point of a facility’s command structure. Pollutant-emitting activities that are under the control of different military services, defense agencies, or National Guard are not under common control.

- Functional Grouping: EPA has acknowledged that military installations are often combinations of functionally distinct groupings of pollutant-emitting activities that may be distinguished the same way that industrial and commercial sources are. For example, a complex facility may operate an airfield, a maintenance depot, a school for infantry training, and a research and development laboratory. Per EPA's guidance, each of these activities may be a separate functional grouping.
- Non-Military Activities: Military installations include numerous activities that are not directly related to the military mission and are not normally found at other types of industrial sources. These types of activities include residential housing, schools, day care centers, churches, recreational parks, theaters, shopping centers, grocery stores, gas stations, and dry cleaners. Because these amenities typically do not represent essential activities related to the primary military activities of the installation, EPA believes it may be inappropriate to consider these as support facilities to the primary military activities. As such, these activities may be treated as separate sources for all purposes for which an industrial grouping distinction is allowed.

However, there are instances where similar types of activities do function as support facilities to the primary military activities at an installation, and in these instances, they should be grouped with the primary military activities that they support. For example, food services that support troops in barracks at basic training camps would be grouped with other emissions units associated with the basic training operations, but a fast food chain outlet would not.

- Support Activities: Support activities at military installations (e.g., boilers and wastewater treatment facilities) could be aggregated with their associated functional grouping. Consequently, emissions from support facilities would be added to the emissions from the primary activity when determining the GHG emissions from the "source." Emissions sources that support non-military activities would be associated with the non-military functional grouping that receives the majority of their products or services. For example, a boiler supporting an elementary school at the military installation would be grouped with the elementary school and not with other boilers that provide steam to a maintenance depot.

Where an activity supports more than one function, it usually would be aggregated with the primary activity to which it contributes 50 percent or more of its output. For example, a central steam plant may provide heat to most facilities on an installation. The GHG emissions from the plant would be aggregated with the primary activity of the installation, which may be maintenance, airfield operations, troop training, etc.

- **Leased Activities:** Leased activities may be considered under separate control from activities under the control of the military-controlling entities at an installation. These leased activities would be considered “tenants” on military installations. They may include restaurants, banks, and schools. In contrast, contract-for-service (or contractor-operated) activities at military installations usually would be considered under the control of the military entity that controls the contract. Leased activities are different from contract-for-service activities, as discussed in the major source guidance.

### 2.3.2 Air Force-Specific Source Categories

Once a facility has been defined, evaluate it to determine if any sources categories are present. Figure 2-1. *Determining Air Force Facilities Subject to MRR* shows a simplified method to determine if an Air Force facility is subject to the MRR.

Some source categories have thresholds that trigger reporting. Each source category should be evaluated for threshold levels. For example, the source category for stationary combustion units require emissions of 25,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e. Emissions from CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O are summed for a facility using the calculation methodology specific to that source category. For general stationary combustion units, only CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biomass combustions should be included to determine if the MRR threshold has been exceeded.

The following equation is used to sum the emissions for an entire facility and convert the emissions to CO<sub>2</sub>e.

$$\text{CO}_2\text{e} = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{GHG}_i \times \text{GWP}_i$$

**Equation 2-1**

Where,

**CO<sub>2</sub>e** = Carbon dioxide equivalent (ton/yr)

**GHG<sub>i</sub>** = Mass emissions of each greenhouse gas (ton/yr)

**GWP<sub>i</sub>** = Global warming potential for each greenhouse gas from Table 2-4. *Global Warming Potentials*.

**n** = The number of greenhouse gases emitted

Additionally, facilities that only have stationary combustion units as MRR applicable source categories must also quantify the aggregate maximum rated heat input capacity to determine whether the facility has exceeded the 30 million British thermal units per hour (MMBtu/hr) threshold. The EPA provides worksheets to aid in these quantifying calculations.

Again, each source category has a particular calculation methodology (or methodologies) for GHG emissions calculations or calculations for a particular factor to determine applicability.

If it is determined that a facility is not subject to the MRR, it is advisable that MRR applicability is reevaluated when there are changes at the facility that may increase emissions. Types of changes that may affect emissions are changes in fuel use, operating hours, and facility expansion.

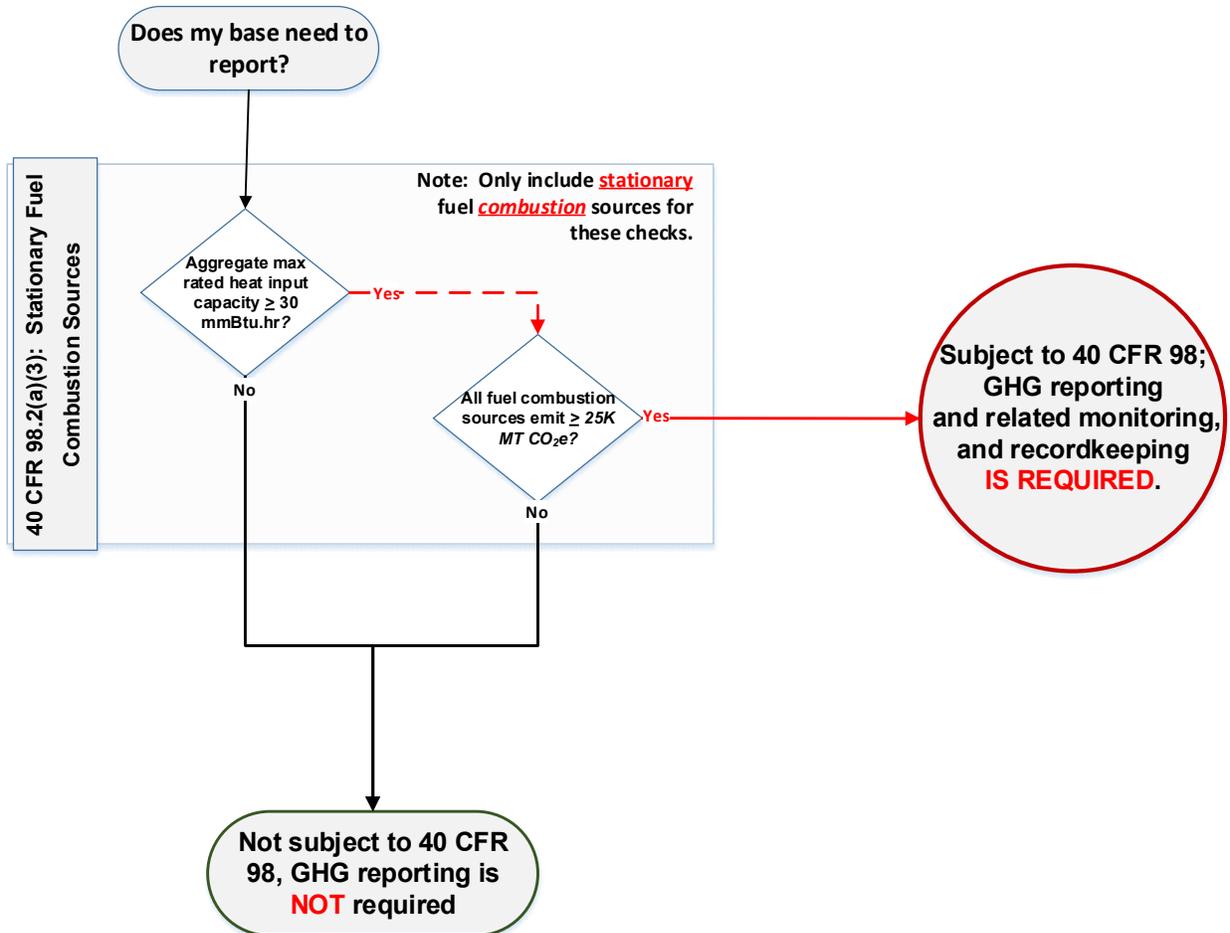


Figure 2-1. Determining Air Force Facilities Subject to MRR

**Table 2-4. Global Warming Potentials**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Chemical Formula</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Global Warming Potential (100 yr.)</u>
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	124-38-9	1
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	74-82-8	25 <sup>(1)</sup>
Nitrous Oxide	N <sub>2</sub> O	10024-97-2	298 <sup>(1)</sup>

SOURCE Table A-1 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

<sup>1</sup>The GWP for this compound was updated in the final rule published on November 29, 2013 [78 FR 71904] and effective on January 1, 2014.

## 2.4 Designated Representative

Each facility subject to GHG reporting under the MRR “shall have one and only one designated representative,” (40 CFR 98.4 (a)). If a facility is mandated to report emissions under any requirement under 40 CFR 75, the same individual shall be the designated representative who is responsible for certifying, signing, and submitting emissions reports for the MRR. For Air Force Installations, the Installation/Center Commander, as the “Responsible Official” under the CAA, is the de facto MRR reporting representative. Therefore, the Installation/Center Commander should designate an individual as the designated representative through a letter of appointment. A sample appointment letter is provided as an example.

### Sample Appointment Letter

MEMORANDUM FOR "Office Symbol of Appointees"

FROM: "Organization"

SUBJECT: Base Designated Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reporting Representatives Appointment

1. Per 40 CFR Part 98, Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, a Designated GHG Representative and an alternate are appointed who shall be responsible for certifying, signing, and submitting GHG emissions reports and any other submissions to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) relating to mandatory GHG reporting.
2. The following individuals from the "insert organization" are appointed as Designated GHG Reporting Representatives.

Rank/Name

Office Symbol

Duty Phone

Primary:

Alternate:

2. For any additional information, please contact

Commander/Manager Signature Block

cc.

Individual

### 2.4.1 Authorization of the Designated Representative

A complete certificate of representation must be submitted to and received by the EPA in order for the designated representative to be authorized for such a position. A certificate of representation may designate one alternate designated representative. This individual shall be selected by an agreement binding on the owners and operators of the facility and act on behalf of the designated representative. Once the EPA has received a complete certificate of representation identifying the alternate representative, any action, representation, or submission made by the alternate representative is considered a submission by the designated representative. A complete certificate must contain the following elements:

- Identification of the facility for which the certificate of representation is submitted
- The name, organization name, address, email address (if any), telephone number, and fax number (if any) of the designated representative and any alternate designated representative
- A list of the operators and owners of the facility
- The following certification statement signed and dated by the designated representative or alternate designated representative:

“I certify that I was selected as the designated representative or alternate designated representative, as applicable, by an agreement binding on the owners and operators of the facility or supplier, as applicable. I certify that I have all the necessary authority to carry out my duties and responsibilities under 40 CFR part 98 on behalf of the owners and operators of the facility or supplier, as applicable, and that each such owner and operator shall be fully bound by my representations, actions, inactions, or submissions.

I certify that the owners and operators of the facility or supplier, as applicable, shall be bound by an order issued to me by the Administrator or a court regarding the facility or supplier. If there are multiple owners and operators of the facility or supplier, as applicable, I certify that I have given a written notice of my selection as the ‘designated representative’ or ‘alternate designated representative’, as applicable, and of the agreement by which I was selected to each owner and operator of the facility or supplier.”

Note that the aforementioned ‘Administrator’ refers to the administrator of the EPA or the authorized representative of the EPA. This above statement must be signed and dated by the

designated representative or the alternate designated representative. This certification statement will be valid and considered current until a new certification statement is received by the EPA.

#### **2.4.2 Changes in Designated Representative or Alternate Designated Representative**

The designated representative or alternate designated representative may be changed at any time given the receipt of a new, completed and signed certification of representation by the EPA. The new designated representative and owners/operators of the facility will be bound by all representations, actions, inaction, and submissions by the previous designated representative.

#### **2.4.3 Representative Responsibilities**

Per 40 CFR 98, the designated representative shall legally bind each owner and operator of a facility subject to the MRR through their representations, actions, inactions or submissions. The owners and operators shall be bound to any court or EPA orders or decisions. Once a certification of representation has been submitted to the EPA, the designated representative or alternate designated representative has the authority to submit the GHG emissions report, and any other necessary documents, for the facility. Note that the certificate of representation must be submitted at least 60 days prior to the reports deadline for the submission of the facility's initial emission report.

##### **2.4.3.1 Certification of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report**

Each GHG emissions report must be certified, signed, and submitted by the designated representative or the alternate designated representative in accordance with 40 CFR 98.5. Per 40 CFR 98, the submission shall include the following statement:

“I am authorized to make this submission on behalf of the owners and operators of the facility or supplier, as applicable, for which the submission is made. I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined, and am familiar with, the statements and information submitted in this document and all its attachments. Based on my inquiry of those individuals with primary responsibility for obtaining the information, I certify that the statements and information are to the best of my knowledge and belief true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false statements and information or omitting required statements and information, including the possibility of fine or imprisonment.”

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### 2.4.3.2 Delegation by Designated/Alternative Representative

A designated representative may delegate the task of electronic documentation submission to one or more individuals. A notice of delegation must be submitted to the EPA by the designated representative or alternate designated representative. The notice must have the following components:

- The name, organization name, address, e-mail address (if any), telephone number, and fax number (if any) of the designated representative or alternate designated representative.
- The name, address, email address, telephone number, and fax number (if any) of each “agent” or individual to whom the authority to submit electronic documentation is being delegated.
- A list of the type(s) of electronic submissions for which authority has been delegated.
- The name of the facility for which the electronic submission can be made for each type of electronic submission.
- A certification statement must be dated, signed, and submitted by the designated representative or alternate designated representative. The statement reads as follows:

“I agree that any electronic submission to the Administrator that is by an agent identified in this notice of delegation and of a type listed, and for a facility or supplier designated, for such an agent in this notice of delegation and that is made when I am a designated representative or alternate designated representative, as applicable, and before this notice of delegation is superseded by another notice of delegation under 40 CFR 98.4(m)(3) shall be deemed to be an electronic submission certified, signed, and submitted by me.

Until this notice of delegation is superseded by a later signed notice of delegation under 40 CFR 98.4(m)(3), I agree to maintain an e-mail account and to notify the Administrator immediately of any changes in my e-mail address unless all delegation of authority by me under 40 CFR 98.4(m) is terminated.”

The EPA deems the above statement certified, signed, and submitted by the designated representative upon receipt. The delegation of authority remains in place until another notice is submitted to the EPA that later replaces an agent, adds an agent, or eliminates any delegation of authority.

## **2.5 Changes in Owners or Operators**

Some facilities may need to address a change in owners or operators. Types of situations that might require owner or operator changes are facility partitioning or the discovery of an error in the original list submitted to the EPA. Additionally, privatization and Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) may involve the transfer of ownership to a new entity.

### **2.5.1 Facility Partitioning and Errors**

When a facility is partitioned or there is an error in the list of operators or owners, the certificate of representation must be amended and submitted to the EPA within 90 days to reflect any changes in owners or operators. Refer to section 2.3.1 for further explanation of facility partitioning.

Any owner or operator of a facility omitted from the certificate of representation is still subject to and bound by the certificate of representation and submissions of the designated representative.

### **2.5.2 New Owner or Operator**

There may be situations where a change in operator at an Air Force installation may occur. Two examples of such situations are provided below.

- Privatization
- Base Realignment and Closure

The process to change operators is two-step. First, the designated representative from the current operator must be replaced by a new designated representative from the new operator. This is accomplished through e-GGRT. The second step is the resubmission of a certificate of representation within 90 days of the change

## 3 REPORTS AND DOCUMENTATION

### 3.1 Introduction

The annual greenhouse gas emissions report must be submitted no later than March 31 of each calendar year for the GHG emissions from the previous calendar year (January 1 through December 31). If a facility becomes subject to the MRR during the course of a year because of operation or physical changes, begin reporting within the first month of those changes and end on December 31 of that year. It is important to retain all documents used to derive the GHG emissions compiled in the annual report (e.g., maintenance records, calibration records, calculation methodology).

### 3.2 Contents of the Annual Emissions Report

The EPA requires several types of documents to be submitted in the annual emissions report or be kept in possession by the facility. Data required to be included in an annual emissions report include:

- Installation Identification
- Dates of Importance
- Emissions Data
- Explanation of Calculation Changes, if applicable
- Explanation of Missing Data, if applicable
- Certification Statement
- North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes
- Parent Company Identification
- Plant Code, if applicable

Each of these components of the report are described in the following sections. This is a general report content list applicable to all source categories and is specific to facility-level information. The EPA may review the report and any other documents to verify completeness and accuracy via periodic audits.

### **3.2.1 Installation Identification**

The report must contain the name and physical street address of the installation. If the facility has no physical street address, latitude and longitude coordinates of the center point of the facility may be substituted.

### **3.2.2 Dates of Importance**

The years and months of emissions that are being reported must be noted. In addition, the date of report submitted to the EPA must also be noted. The report must be submitted no later than March 31 of each calendar year and reflect emissions for the previous calendar year.

### **3.2.3 Emissions Data**

Emissions from applicable sources at the facility must be contained in the report. For the majority of Air Force installations, the most commonly reported GHG emissions will be CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O from stationary fuel combustion sources. The emissions of each GHG must be converted to CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) and summed. A facility must also indicate whether reported emissions data include emissions from a cogeneration unit located at the facility. Note that biogenic emissions are calculated in the same manner as emissions from the combustion of other fuels, but are reported in a separate component of the annual GHG report. An in-depth discussion of applicable sources and emissions data for Air Force installations is provided in this document.

### **3.2.4 Explanation of Calculation Changes**

The method for calculating GHG emissions is specific for each source category and is described in the appropriate subsection of 40 CFR 98. The method must be used within the same source category and throughout the reporting time frame. A written explanation is required any time the methodology used to compile the emissions report deviates from the calculation method stipulated in the CFR.

### **3.2.5 Missing Data**

In the event that quality-assured data is unavailable (such as malfunctioning piece of equipment or if a required fuel sample is not taken), substitute data may be used in place of missing parameters in calculations. The procedure for estimating missing data is source category specific and is discussed in the applicable sections within this guide.

### **3.2.6 Certification Statement**

Each MRR report submitted to the EPA must contain a GHG emissions report certification statement, as shown in Chapter 2. It must be signed and dated by the designated representative or alternate designated representative of the owners/operators of the facility.

### **3.2.7 NAICS Codes**

Federal statistical agencies use the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) to classify business establishments for the purpose of data collection related to the U.S. economy. Each report should include the NAICS code(s) applicable to the facility.

### **3.2.8 Parent Company Identification**

One of the objectives of the MRR is to identify the GHG emissions from United States parent companies. For Air Force installations, the parent company should be identified as “U.S. Government.” In this instance, no information regarding the parent company physical address or percent ownership of the facility by the parent company should be included in the report.

### **3.2.9 Applicable “Plant Code”**

Plant codes are assigned by either the Department of Energy’s Energy Information Administration or by the EPA’s Clean Air Markets Division. The plant code reporting requirement applies to each stationary combustion source (i.e., each individual unit and each group of units reported as a configuration) that includes at least one combustion unit that has been assigned a plant code.

## **3.3 Revisions**

There may be a need to revise an annual GHG emissions report. Per 40 CFR 98.3 (h), “A substantive error is an error that impacts the quantity of GHG emissions reported or otherwise prevents the reported data from being validated or verified.” The owner/operator is compelled to submit a revised/corrected GHG emissions report within 45 days of discovering the error(s). Another scenario that prompts an annual GHG emission report revision is if the EPA notifies the owner/operator in writing that errors were found in the report and identifies each substantive error. The owner/operator has 45 days of the receipt of notification to either resubmit the report that corrects each identified substantive error or provide information demonstrating that the previously submitted report does not contain the identified substantive error or that the identified error is not substantive.

Extensions of the 45-day period to submit the revised report may be approved by the EPA upon request by the owner/operator. If a request for extension of the 45-day period for submission is received by the EPA via email before the end of the initial 45-day period for submission, the request is automatically granted for 30 days. Additional days beyond the 30-day extension may be granted by the EPA provided that the owners/operators submitted a request at least five (5) days prior to the expiration of a 30-day extension. This request must demonstrate that it is not practicable to submit a revised report within 75 days from the initial notification of a substantive error. The EPA will grant this extension if the request shows to the EPA’s satisfaction that it is not practicable to resolve substantial errors within 75 days.

### 3.4 Recordkeeping

Retain all records required under the MRR for at least five (5) years from the date of submission of the annual GHG report for the reporting year in which the record was made. Records must be made available for inspection and review by the EPA upon request. The following is a list of documents that need to be retained, though additional documents may be required for specific source categories:

- Source List
- Data
- Annual Emissions Reports
- GHG Monitoring Plan
- Test Results
- Maintenance Records

#### 3.4.1 Source List

The source list includes all units, operations, processes, and activities for which GHG emissions were calculated.

#### 3.4.2 Data

Documents pertaining to data used to calculate GHG emissions for each unit, operation, process, and activity must be kept and categorized by fuel or material type. This data must include GHG emissions calculations and methods/analytical results used for the development of site-specific emission factors. Furthermore, results of all required analyses for High Heat Value (HHV), carbon content, and other required fuel parameters as well as any facility operating data or process information used for the GHG emission calculations must be retained. For missing data computations, a record describing the event that caused the missing data and the corrective actions taken to remedy the lack of data values (i.e., restoration of malfunctioning equipment) must be maintained.

#### 3.4.3 Annual Emissions Reports

Annual greenhouse gas emission reports and any revisions must be retained even after submission to the EPA.

### 3.4.4 GHG Monitoring Plan

All facilities required to report under the MRR are required to develop and maintain a GHG Monitoring Plan. In accordance with 40 CFR 98.3 (g)(5)(i), at a minimum, the GHG Monitoring Plan shall include the following three elements:

- Identification of positions of responsibility (i.e., job titles) for collection of the emissions data.
- Explanation of the processes and methods used to collect the necessary data for the GHG calculations.
- Description of the procedures and methods that are used for quality assurance, maintenance, and repair of all continuous monitoring systems, flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data for the GHGs reported.

According to 40 CFR 98.3 (g)(5)(ii), the GHG Monitoring Plan may rely on references to existing corporate documents that provided the elements required above. As such it is intended that this guide, the Air Emissions Guide for Stationary Sources, 40 CFR part 60 appendix F (Quality Assurance Procedures) and 40 CFR Part 75 Appendix B (Quality Assurance and Quality Control Procedures) are to be used as the basis for an installation-specific GHG Monitoring Plan. Therefore, an installation-specific GHG Monitoring Plan should basically only include the following:

- Identification of positions of responsibility (i.e., job titles) for collection of the emissions data.
  - In accordance with AFI 32-7040, the Base Civil Engineer-Installation Management Flight is responsible for all air quality emissions inventories (including GHGs).
  - Additionally, each facility subject to GHG reporting under the MRR shall, in writing, designate a representative and one alternate (40 CFR 98.4 (a), see section 2.4 for details). The Installation/Center Commander should designate an individual as the designated representative through a letter of appointment.
- Explanation of the processes and methods used to collect the necessary data for the GHG calculations.
  - All GHG calculations, the processes, and methods are to be included by reference (not reiteration) in accordance with the following USAF guidance:

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- Guide to The Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule (this document)
  - Air Emissions Guide for Stationary Sources
- In accordance with AFI 32-7040, all air quality compliance data, including greenhouse gas emissions, are entered and maintained in APIMS.
  - Any installation-specific special data collection processes and methods used to collect the necessary data that do not conflict with the processes and methods described in the Guide to The Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule (this document) and the Air Emissions Guide for Stationary Sources.
- Description of the procedures and methods that are used for quality assurance, maintenance, and repair of all continuous monitoring systems, flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data for the GHGs reported under this part.
    - The procedures and methods used for quality assurance, maintenance, and repair methods are to be included by reference (not reiteration) in accordance with the following:
      - Guide to The Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting Rule (this document)
      - 40 CFR part 60 appendix F, Quality Assurance Procedures, and 40 CFR Part 75 Appendix B, Quality Assurance and Quality Control Procedures, shall be included by reference (not reiteration).
    - Any installation-specific special procedures and methods used for quality assurance, maintenance, and repair not already addressed in 40 CFR part 60 appendix F or 40 CFR part 75 appendix B.

Each facility must revise their installation-specific GHG Monitoring Plan as needed to reflect changes in production processes, monitoring instrumentation, and quality assurance procedures; or to improve procedures for the maintenance and repair of monitoring systems to reduce the frequency of monitoring equipment downtime. Upon request by the Administrator, the owner or operator shall make all information that is collected in conformance with the GHG Monitoring Plan available for review during an audit. Electronic storage of the information in the plan in APIMS is permissible; however, the information must be made available in hard copy upon request during an audit.

**3.4.5 Test Results**

Documentation showing the results of all required certification and quality assurance tests of continuous monitoring systems, fuel flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide GHG data for the annual emissions report must be retained.

**3.4.6 Maintenance Records**

All maintenance records for continuous monitoring systems, flow meters, and other instrumentation used to provide data must also be kept.

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## 4 STATIONARY FUEL COMBUSTION UNITS

### 4.1 Introduction

**Per APIMS November 2015 review, the stationary fuel combustion source category is the only source category that may trigger reporting under the MRR at Air Force installations.**

For this source category, annual emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O must be calculated and reported. High Heat Values (HHVs) and emission factors for these greenhouse gases for various fuel types are provided in Table 4-1. *Default CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel* and Table 4-2. *Default CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emission Factors for Various Types of Fuel Applicability of MRR.*

### 4.2 Applicability of MRR

Stationary fuel combustion sources are devices that combust solid, liquid, or gaseous fuel, generally for the purposes of producing electricity, generating steam, or providing useful heat or energy for industrial, commercial, or institutional use, or reducing the volume of waste by removing combustible matter. Not all Air Force facilities that have stationary fuel combustion units will be subject to the MRR.

Only a facility that, in any calendar year starting in 2010, meets all three of the following conditions is subject to MRR:

- The facility is not a source automatically subject to reporting and the facility is not a production or manufacturing source.
- The **aggregate maximum rated heat input capacity** of the stationary fuel combustion units at the facility is **30 MMBtu/hr or greater**.
- The **facility emits 25,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>e or more per year** in combined emissions from all stationary fuel combustion sources.

It is important to note that when determining if a facility has exceeded the 25,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e applicability threshold, the annual emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O are summed and converted to carbon dioxide equivalents. Include **only** CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from biomass combustion for each general stationary combustion unit (exclude carbon dioxide emissions from the combustion of biomass). Convert all greenhouse gas emissions to CO<sub>2</sub>e by multiplying the annual emissions by the global warming potential for the particular gas (See Table 2-4) before summing to determine applicability.

The following is a list of Stationary Fuel Combustion Units required to report under MRR:

- Includes, but is not limited to:
  - Boilers
  - Simple and combined-cycle combustion turbines
  - Engines
  - Incinerators
  - Process heaters
  - Aircraft engine testing
- Does not include:
  - Portable equipment
  - Emergency generators and emergency equipment
  - Irrigation pumps at agricultural operations
  - Pilot lights
  - Flares (See note below about Enclosed Flare Systems)
  - Electricity generating units that are subject to 40 CFR 98 Subpart D
  - Units that combust hazardous waste (as defined in §261.3 of 40 CFR Chapter 1), unless either of the following conditions apply:
    - Continuous Emission Monitors (CEMS) are used to quantify CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions.
    - Any fuel listed in Table 4-1 is also combusted in the unit. If this unit burns any of the fuels listed, then report the GHG emissions from the combusted fuels.

The most current USAF Stationary Source Guide should be consulted and utilized to help identify common stationary combustion units found at USAF facilities.

Note that Enclosed Flare Systems are required to report under Subpart C, in most cases. An enclosed flare system does not meet the definition of flare in 40 CFR 98.6 when it does not have an open flame and it has a means to control air flow. These systems can be thought of as being similar to natural draft process heaters or boilers, which fall under MRR applicability. A flare with a shroud to prevent wind effects is not considered to be an enclosed system. Refer to the EPA GHG MRR help page under frequently asked questions and see Question 817 for more information.

**Table 4-1. Default CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel**

<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Default High Heat Value</b>	<b>Default CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factor</b>
<b>Coal and coke</b>	<b>MMBtu/short ton</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Anthracite	25.09	103.69
Bituminous	24.93	93.28
Subbituminous	17.25	97.17
Lignite	14.21	97.72
Coal Coke	24.80	113.67
Mixed (Commercial Sector)	21.39	94.27
Mixed (Industrial coking)	26.28	93.90
Mixed (Industrial sector)	22.35	94.67
Mixed (Electric Power sector)	19.73	95.52
<b>Natural Gas</b>	<b>MMBtu/scf</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
(Weighted U.S. Average)	1.026 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	53.06
<b>Petroleum products</b>	<b>MMBtu/gallon</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Distillate Fuel Oil No. 1	0.139	73.25
Distillate Fuel Oil No. 2	0.138	73.96
Distillate Fuel Oil No. 4	0.146	75.04
Residual Fuel Oil No. 5	0.140	72.93
Residual Fuel Oil No. 6	0.150	75.10
Used Oil	0.138	74.00
Kerosene	0.135	75.20
Liquefied Petroleum Gases (LPG) <sup>(1)</sup>	0.092	61.71
Propane <sup>(1)</sup>	0.091	62.87
Propylene <sup>(2)</sup>	0.091	67.77
Ethane <sup>(1)</sup>	0.068	59.60
Ethanol	0.084	68.44
Ethylene <sup>(2)</sup>	0.058	65.96
Isobutane <sup>(1)</sup>	0.099	64.94
Isobutylene <sup>(1)</sup>	0.103	68.86
Butane <sup>(1)</sup>	0.103	64.77
Butylene <sup>(1)</sup>	0.105	68.72
Naphtha (<401 deg F)	0.125	68.02
Natural Gasoline	0.110	66.88

Notes for this table are on the next page.

**Table 4-1. Default CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel (cont.)**

Fuel Type	Default High Heat Value	Default CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Factor
Other Oil (>401 deg F)	0.139	76.22
Pentanes Plus	0.110	70.02
Petrochemical Feedstocks	0.125	71.02
Petroleum Coke	0.143	102.41
Special Naptha	0.125	72.34
Unfinished Oils	0.139	74.54
Heavy Gas Oils	0.148	74.92
Lubricants	0.144	74.27
Motor Gasoline	0.125	70.22
Aviation Gasoline	0.120	69.25
Kerosene-Type Jet Fuel	0.135	72.22
Asphalt and Road Oil	0.158	75.36
Crude Oil	0.138	74.54
<b>Other Fuels-Solid</b>	<b>MMBtu/short ton</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Municipal Solid Waste	9.95 <sup>(3)</sup>	90.7
Tires	28.00	85.97
Plastics	38.00	75.00
Petroleum Coke	30.000	102.41
<b>Other Fuels- Gaseous</b>	<b>MMBtu/scf</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Blast Furnace Gas	0.092 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	274.32
Coke Oven Gas	0.599 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	46.85
Propane Gas	2.516 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	61.46
Fuel Gas <sup>(4)</sup>	1.388 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>	59.00
<b>Biomass Fuels-Solid</b>	<b>MMBtu/short ton</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Wood and Wood Residuals (dry basis) <sup>(5)</sup>	17.48	93.80
Agricultural Byproducts	8.25	118.17
Peat	8.00	111.84
Solid Byproducts	10.39	105.51
<b>Biomass Fuels-Liquid</b>	<b>MMBtu/gallon</b>	<b>kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu</b>
Ethanol	0.084	68.44
Biodiesel (100%)	0.128	73.84
Rendered Animal Fat	0.125	71.06
Vegetable Oil	0.120	81.55

SOURCE Table C-1 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

<sup>1</sup> The HHV for components of LPG determined at 60 °F and saturation pressure with the exception of ethylene.

<sup>2</sup>Ethylene HHV determined at 41 °F (5 °C) and saturation pressure.

<sup>3</sup>Use of this default HHV is allowed only for: (a) Units that combust MSW, do not generate steam, and are allowed to use Tier 1; (b) units that derive no more than 10 percent of their annual heat input from MSW and/or tires; and (c) small batch incinerators that combust no more than 1,000 tons of MSW per year.

<sup>4</sup>Use the following formula to calculate a wet basis HHV for use in Equation C-1:  $HHV_w = ((100 - M)/100) * HHV_d$  where  $HHV_w$  = wet basis HHV, M = moisture content (percent) and  $HHV_d$  = dry basis HHV from Table C-1.

<sup>5</sup>Use the following formula to calculate a wet basis HHV for use in Equation C-1:  $HHV_w = ((100 - M)/100) * HHV_d$  where  $HHV_w$  = wet basis HHV, M = moisture content (percent) and  $HHV_d$  = dry basis HHV from Table C-1.

**Table 4-2. Default CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emission Factors for Various Types of Fuel**

Fuel Type	Default CH <sub>4</sub> Emission Factor (kg CH <sub>4</sub> /MMBtu)	Default N <sub>2</sub> O Emission Factor (kg N <sub>2</sub> O/MMBtu)
Coal and Coke (All fuel types in Table 4-1)	1.1 x 10 <sup>-02</sup>	1.6 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>
Natural Gas	1.0 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Petroleum (All fuel types in Table 4-1)	3.0 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	6.0 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Fuel Gas	3.0 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	6.0 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Municipal Solid Waste	3.2 x 10 <sup>-02</sup>	4.2 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>
Tires	3.2 x 10 <sup>-02</sup>	4.2 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>
Blast Furnace Gas	2.2 x 10 <sup>-05</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Coke Oven Gas	4.8 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Biomass Fuels -Solid (All fuel types listed in Table 4-1, except wood and wood residuals)	3.2 x 10 <sup>-02</sup>	4.2 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>
Wood and wood residuals	7.2 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	3.6 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>
Biomass Fuels- Gaseous (All fuel types in Table 4-1)	3.2 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	6.3 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>
Biomass Fuels- Liquid (All fuel types in Table 4-1)	1.1 x 10 <sup>-03</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>-04</sup>

SOURCE Table C-2 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

Note: Those employing this table are assumed to fall under the IPCC definitions of the “Energy Industry” or “Manufacturing Industries and Construction”. In all fuels except for coal the values for these two categories are identical. For coal combustion, those who fall within the IPCC “Energy Industry” category may employ a value of 1g of CH<sub>4</sub>/MMBtu.

### 4.3 Calculating GHG emissions

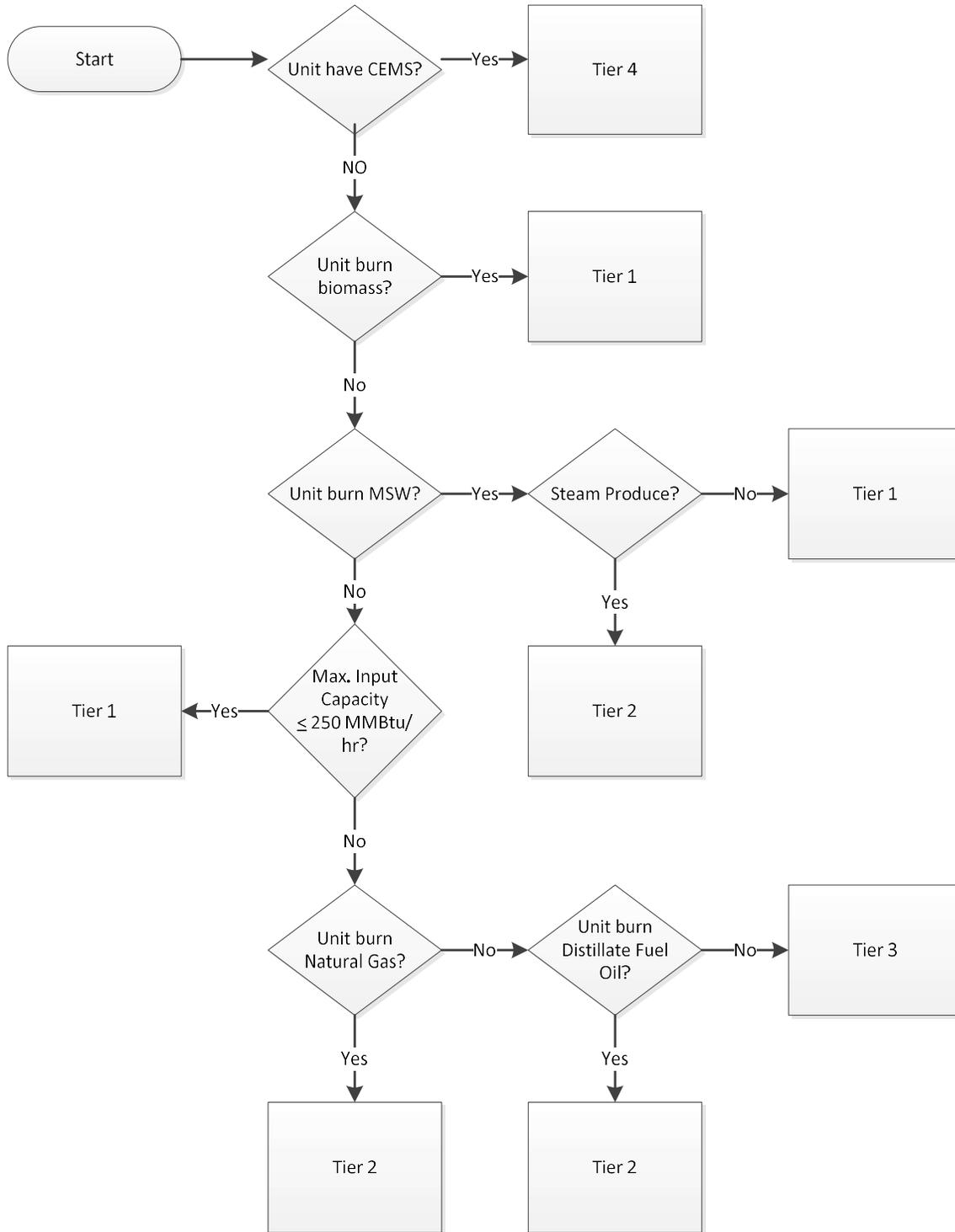
Once an Air Force installation has been determined to be subject to the MRR (the MRR reporting thresholds have been exceeded), the GHG emissions from CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O must be calculated and reported. There are several approaches to calculating these emissions based on parameter specificity and are categorized as Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3, and Tier 4 Calculation Methodologies. Tier 1 is the most general and uses default values for emissions calculations whereas Tier 4 requires CEMS.

It is important to identify which Tier applies to the subject facility as this will affect which equations are used for calculating GHG emissions. For facilities whose use of Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 methodology is applicable, the option exists to use a higher Tier methodology when one or more fuels are combusted in a unit. In other words, if a facility is able to use Tier 1, the facility can opt to use a higher Tier, such as Tier 2 or 3. For example, if a 100 MMBtu/hr unit combusts natural gas and distillate fuel oil, you may elect to use Tier 1 for natural gas and Tier 3 for the fuel oil, even though the Tier 1 calculation methodology is acceptable for both fuels. However, for units that use the Tier 4 calculation methodology, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of all fuels shall be based solely on CEMS measurements. It is important to note that biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are calculated in the same manner as other fuel combustion sources, but are reported as a separate component in the annual GHG report.

Table 4-3. *Quick Reference Guide to Tier Calculations* and Figure 4-1. *Reference Flow Chart to Tier Calculations* are provided as a quick reference guide to aid in selecting the appropriate calculation methodology. Additional information regarding these calculation methods are found in 40 CFR 98. Neither Table 4-3 nor Figure 4-1 should be considered all-inclusive; they are provided in this document to give a general indication of common scenarios and tiers used in those scenarios. Note that there are additional methods for calculating CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from sorbent use and biogenic sources not provided in Table 4-3. These additional methodologies are discussed in greater detail at the end of the following chapter.

**Table 4-3. Quick Reference Guide to Tier Calculations**

	<b>Tier</b>	<b>Scenarios for Use</b>	<b>Data Used</b>
Least Precise  Most Precise	1	When High Heat Value is not regularly determined Any fuel from Table 4-1 combusted in a unit $\leq 250$ MMBtu/hr May be used for MSW and/or Tire combustion provided <10% of unit's annual heat input is derived from those fuels May be used for MSW in any unit size with no steam production May be used for any biomass fuel listed in Table 4-1 in any sized unit	Fuel Usage Records Default High Heat Value Default Emission Factors
	2	$\leq 250$ MMBtu/hr and any fuel from Table 4-1, and high heat value determined May be used for MSW in any size unit that produces steam $> 250$ MMBtu/hr that combusts natural gas and/or distillate fuel oil	Fuel Usage Records Measured High Heat Value Default Emission Factor
	3	$\geq 250$ MMBtu/hr and combusts any fuel from Table 4-1 except for MSW, natural gas, and distillate fuel oil	Fuel Measured Directly Measured Fuel Carbon Content and/or Molecular Weight
	4	Unit has Continuous Emission Monitoring Systems (CEMS)	Hourly Data from CEMS
	Alternative Methodology	For use of units subject to 40 CFR 75	Data Used for Reporting under 40 CFR 75 Requirements



**Figure 4-1. Reference Flow Chart to Tier Calculations**

#### 4.4 Aircraft Engine Testing and Calculations

Aircraft engine testing and stationary engines are stationary fuel combustion source categories that are not rated in *Maximum Rated Heat Input Capacity* (MMBtu/hr); however, they must still be included as sources when evaluating the applicability of the MRR for a facility against the 30 MMBtu/hr or greater aggregate maximum rated heat input capacity threshold for the stationary fuel combustion units as specified in 40 CFR 98.2(a)(3). For these sources the *Maximum Rated Heat Input Capacity* can easily be derived based on the fuel *Heating Value (HV)*, see Table 4-4. *Maximum Rated Heat Input Capacity (C) for Aircraft Engine Testing* (Table 4-4) and *Fuel Consumption Rate (q)*. For stationary engines the equation is as follows:

$$C \left( \frac{\text{MMBtu}}{\text{hr}} \right) = HV \left( \frac{\text{MMBtu}}{\text{gal}} \right) \times q \left( \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}} \right)$$

Equation 4-1

Where:

- C** = Maximum rated heat input capacity (MMBtu/hr)
- HV** = Heating value of the fuel used (MMBtu/gal)
- q** = Fuel consumption rate (gal/hr)

For aircraft engine testing, the engine may have several throttle settings that result in different fuel consumption rates over several time intervals. Therefore, for aircraft engine testing you must modify the above equation with a time-weighted averaging of the fuel consumption to calculate maximum rated heat input capacity as shown below:

$$C \left( \frac{\text{MMBtu}}{\text{hr}} \right) = HV \left( \frac{\text{MMBtu}}{\text{gal}} \right) \times \frac{\sum_i^n q_i \times t_i}{\sum_i^n t_i} \left( \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{hr}} \right)$$

Equation 4-2

Where:

- C** = Maximum rated heat input capacity (MMBtu/hr)
- HV** = Heating value of the fuel used (MMBtu/gal)
- q<sub>i</sub>** = Fuel consumption rate (gal/hr) at throttle setting i
- t<sub>i</sub>** = Time (hr) operated at throttle setting i

To simplify this process, the *Maximum Rated Heat Input Capacity (C)* for various USAF aircraft engine testing is already calculated (see Table 4-4). These values were estimated based on February 2014 Air Program Management System (APIMS) runtime data for all aircraft engines and respective fuel flow rates from AF 2014 Mobile Source Guide. Actual *C* values for a specific engine are the USAF-wide average of all 2014 engine runs for the specified engine. Consult the latest Mobile Source Guide for the most current numbers.

**Table 4-4. Maximum Rated Heat Input Capacity (C) for Aircraft Engine Testing**

<b>Aircraft Engine</b>	<b>Max. Heat Input Capacity (MMBtu/hr)</b>	<b>Aircraft Engine</b>	<b>Max. Heat Input Capacity (MMBtu/hr)</b>
F100-PW-100	106	J79-GE-17	82
F100-PW-200	69	J85-GE-5F	38
F100-PW-220	108	J85-GE-5H	49
F100-PW-229	77	J85-GE-5M	46
F101-GE-102	94	T56-A-7	25
F108-CF-100	60	T56-A-9	34
F110-GE-100	107	T56-A-14	13
F110-GE-129	72	T56-A-15	29
F117-PW-100	46	TF33-P-9	87
F118-GE-100	41	TF33-P-102A	80
F119-PW-100	158	TF34-GE-100	15
F404-GE-400	94	TF34-GE-100A	22
J69-T-25	18	TF39-GE-1C	160

## 5 CALCULATION METHODS FOR STATIONARY FUEL COMBUSTION UNITS

### 5.1 Introduction

There are a variety of calculation methods available to quantify annual GHG emissions from stationary fuel combustion units. For units that combust both biomass and fossil fuels, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of biomass must be calculated and reported separately. When multiple fuels are combusted during the reporting year, sum the fuel-specific results from the applicable equations to obtain the total annual CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in metric tons. The equations used for the calculation of GHG emissions is determined by the Tier applicable to the subject facility. Calculation spreadsheets are available to aid the user in performing these calculations. If these spreadsheets are used, they (or any other material used to calculate emissions) retain them as part of the record-keeping requirements. A detailed description of each Tier is provided below.

### 5.2 Tier 1 Calculation Methodology

Tier 1 will likely be the most common calculation methodology used by Air Force facilities. It is the most general of the calculation methodologies, utilizing default emission factors and default HHV of fuels.

#### 5.2.1 Tier 1 Applicability

The following are conditions, requirements, and restrictions for the use of Tier 1 for calculating CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:

- May not be used if the owner/operator routinely performs fuel sampling and analysis for the fuel HHV or is routinely given this information from the supplier at a minimum frequency or greater than the minimum required for Tier 2 methodology. The frequency is fuel-specific as provided in 40 CR 98.34(a) and is discussed in the Monitoring and Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Requirements Chapter (Chapter 6) in this guide. Possession of such data triggers the requirement of Tier 2 Calculation Methodology, except where noted below.
- May be used for any fuel listed in Table 4-1 that is combusted in a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity of 250 MMBtu/hr or less.
- May be used for the combustion of MSW in a unit of any size that does not produce steam as long as Tier 4 Calculation Methodology is not required. **Note: Acquisition of data for fuel sampling and analysis results at a frequency equal**

**to or greater than that specified in 40 CFR 98.34(a) does not trigger Tier 2 Calculation Methodology.**

- Can be used for solid, gaseous, or liquid biomass fuels in a unit of any size given that the fuel is listed in Table 4-1.
- May be used for natural gas combustion in a unit of any size, in cases where the annual natural gas consumption is obtained from fuel billing records in units of therms or MMBtu. **Note: Acquisition of data for fuel sampling and analysis results at a frequency equal to or greater than that specified in 40 CFR 98.34(a) does not trigger Tier 2 Calculation Methodology.**
- May be used for MSW combustion in a small, batch incinerator that burns no more than 1000 tons per year. **Note: Acquisition of data for fuel sampling and analysis results at a frequency equal to or greater than that specified in 40 CFR 98.34(a) does not trigger Tier 2 Calculation Methodology.**
- May be used for the combustion of MSW and/or tires in a unit as long as no more than 10 percent of the unit's annual heat input is derived from those combined fuels. If a unit combusts both MSW and tires and the reporter elects not to separately calculate and report biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of tires, Tier 1 can be used for the MSW combustion, as long as no more than 10 percent of the unit's annual heat input is derived from MSW. **Note: Acquisition of data for fuel sampling and analysis results at a frequency equal to or greater than that specified in 40 CFR 98.34(a) does not trigger Tier 2 Calculation Methodology.** Section 5.8 provides more information about reporting GHG emissions from the combustion of tires.
- May be used for the combustion of fuel listed in Table 4-1 if the combustion unit has a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr (or in the scenario that a group of units is served by a common supply pipe, and at least one unit has a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr). In order to use Tier 1 for a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr, Tier 4 calculation methodology must not be required *and* the fuel provides less than 10 percent of the annual heat input to the unit or to the group of units served by a common supply pipe.

### 5.2.2 Tier 1 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Calculation

Annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions may be calculated in one of two ways when Tier 1 methodology is applicable. The difference between the two approaches is that one method is used when natural gas billing records are used to quantify fuel usage and the other is for all other instances.

#### 5.2.2.1 Tier 1 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (Fuel Usage is not from Billing Records)

In most instances, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are calculated using Equation 5-1 as follows:

$$CO_2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times Fuel \times HHV \times EF$$

Equation 5-1

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions for the specific fuel type (metric ton/yr)
- Fuel** = Mass or volume of fuel combusted per year, from company records (short ton/yr for solid fuel, ft<sup>3</sup>/yr for gaseous fuel, or gal/yr for liquid fuel)
- HHV** = Default HHV of the fuel, from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume, as applicable)
- EF** = Fuel-specific default CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor, from Table 4-1 (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)
- 1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

#### 5.2.2.2 Tier 1 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (Fuel Usage is from Billing Records)

Use Equation 5-2 to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of natural gas when the natural gas billing records are used to quantify fuel usage and gas consumption. **If the records are expressed in units of therms, multiply the usage/consumption value by 0.1 to convert it to MMBtu:**

$$CO_2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times Gas \times EF$$

Equation 5-2

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from natural gas combustion (metric ton/yr)
- Gas** = Annual natural gas usage, from billing records (MMBtu/yr)
- EF** = CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for natural gas, from Table 4-1 (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)
- 1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

### 5.2.3 Tier 1 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions Calculations

Annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions must be calculated and reported for units required to report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and only for those fuels that are listed in Table 4-2. When multiple fuels are combusted during the reporting year, sum the fuel-specific results from the applicable equations to obtain the total annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in metric tons. Refer to Section 5.6 for more information on fuel blends. As with Tier 1 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions estimations, there are two methods for calculating CH<sub>4</sub>

and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions - one method is used when natural gas billing records are used to quantify fuel usage and the other is for all other instances.

### 5.2.3.1 Tier 1 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions (Fuel Usage is not from Billing Records)

Use Equation 5-3 for Tier 1 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions calculations except when natural gas usage is in units of therms or MMBtu is obtained from gas billing records.

$$CH_4 \text{ or } N_2O = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times Fuel \times HHV \times EF$$

Equation 5-3

Where:

- CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O** = Annual CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the combustion of a particular type of fuel (metric ton/year)
- Fuel** = Mass or volume of the fuel combusted, either from company records or directly measured by a fuel flow meter, as applicable (mass/yr or volume/year)
- HHV** = Default HHV of the fuel from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume as applicable)
- EF** = Fuel-specific default emission factor for CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O, from Table 4-2 (kg CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O per MMBtu)
- 1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

### 5.2.3.2 Tier 1 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions (Fuel Usage from Billing Records)

Use Equation 5-4 to calculate CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions when natural gas usage is obtained from gas billing records. **If the records are expressed in units of therms, multiply the usage/consumption value by 0.1 to convert it to MMBtu.**

$$CH_4 \text{ or } N_2O = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times Fuel \times EF$$

Equation 5-4

Where:

- CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O** = Annual CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the combustion of natural gas (metric ton/yr)
- Fuel** = Annual natural gas usage, from gas billing records (MMBtu)
- EF** = Fuel-specific default emission factor for CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O, from Table 4-2 (kg CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O per MMBtu)
- 1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

### 5.3 Tier 2 Calculation Methodology

Tier 2 utilizes default emission factor values and derived HHV in GHG emissions calculations. In cases where the fuel HHV is routinely sampled and analyzed by the facility or the facility gets these values from the fuel supplier at a frequency as specified in Chapter 6, Tier 2 shall be used.

#### 5.3.1 Tier 2 Applicability

The following requirements, conditions, and/or restrictions should be used to evaluate if application of Tier 2 for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions calculations for a facility is applicable:

- May be used for the combustion of any type of fuel in a unit with a maximum rated input heat capacity of 250 MMBtu/hr or less provided that the fuel is listed in Table 4-1.
- May be used in a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr for the combustion of natural gas and/or distillate fuel oil.
- May be used for MSW in a unit of any size that produces steam, if Tier 4 calculation methodology is not required.

#### 5.3.2 Tier 2 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Calculations

40 CFR 98 Subpart C offers several approaches to the calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions based on the fuel combusted. Specifically, Tier 2 outlines the process of calculating CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for units that burn MSW, blended fuels, and all other fuels listed in Table 4-1. These procedures are described below:

##### 5.3.2.1 Tier 2 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Unblended Fuels, Excluding MSW

For most unblended fuels from Table 4-1 (other than MSW), **CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are still calculated using Equation 5-1.** However, Tier 2 requires that the HHV be calculated and used in place of the default fuel HHV. Calculation of the HHV is based on the frequency of fuel sampling analysis. For each unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than or equal to 100 MMBtu/hr (or for a group of units that includes at least one unit of that size), the annual average HHV (when fuel sampling analysis is performed at a frequency of once a month) is calculated using Equation 5-5. If multiple HHV are determined in a single month, the values should be averaged arithmetically.

$$(HHV)_{annual} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (HHV)_i \times (Fuel)_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (Fuel)_i}$$

Equation 5-5

Where:

- (HHV)<sub>annual</sub>** = Weighted annual average HHV of the fuel (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)  
**(HHV)<sub>i</sub>** = Measured HHV of the fuel, for month “i” (which may be the arithmetic average of multiple determinations), or, if applicable, an appropriate substitute data value (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)  
**(Fuel)<sub>i</sub>** = Mass or volume of the fuel combusted during month “i,” from company records (short ton/yr for solid fuel, ft<sup>3</sup>/yr for gaseous fuel, or gal/yr for liquid fuel)  
**n** = Number of months in the year that the fuel is burned in the unit

For facilities who receive/perform fuel sampling analysis less frequently than monthly, or for a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity less than 100 MMBtu/hr (or group of such units) regardless of the sampling frequency, the annual average HHV must use Equation 5-5 or the arithmetic average of HHV for all values for the year. This includes valid and substitute data, a topic discussed further in this guide.

### 5.3.2.2 Tier 2 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from MSW Combustion

For units that combust MSW and produce steam, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions using Tier 2 methodology are calculated using Equation 5-6. This equation may also be used for other solid fuels listed in Table 4-1 as long as steam is generated by the unit.

$$CO_2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times \text{Steam} \times B \times EF$$

**Equation 5-6**

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from MSW or solid fuel combustion (metric ton/yr)  
**Steam** = Total mass of steam generated by MSW or solid fuel combustion during the reporting year (lb steam/yr)  
**B** = Ratio of the boiler's maximum rated heat input capacity to its design rated steam output capacity (MMBtu/lb steam)  
**EF** = Fuel-specific default CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor, from Table 4-1 (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)  
**1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

### 5.3.2.3 Tier 2 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Fuel Blends

If fuels that are meant to be blended for combustion are received separately and are quantified, calculate the mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions separately for each fuel component. Fuels that are pre-mixed or mixed on-site without exact quantification of the amount of each component in the fuel require the reasonable estimation of the relative proportions of the blend to determine appropriate HHV and CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor values. In these instances, consider the blended fuel to be a fuel “type” and measure its HHV at the frequency prescribed. Fuel sampling must be performed weekly for blends of solid fuels (except MSW) to form a composite sample, which is analyzed monthly. Liquid or

gaseous fuel blends are required to be sampled and analyzed at least once per calendar quarter. More frequent sampling and analysis is recommended if the fuel blend varies significantly during the year. A heat-weighted CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor must be calculated for the blend. Equation 5-7 uses default HHV (from Table 4-1) and the estimated mass or volume percentages of the components of the blend as shown:

$$(EF)_B = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n [(HHV)_i (\% Fuel)_i (EF)_i]}{(HHV)_{annual,B}}$$

Equation 5-7

Where:

- (EF)<sub>B</sub>** = Heat-weighted CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the blend (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)
- (HHV)<sub>i</sub>** = Default HHV for fuel “i” in the blend, from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)
- (%Fuel)<sub>i</sub>** = Estimated mass or volume percentage of fuel “i” (mass % or volume %, as applicable, expressed as a decimal fraction; e.g., 25% = 0.25)
- (EF)<sub>i</sub>** = Default CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for fuel “i” from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)
- (HHV)<sub>annual, B</sub>** = Annual average HHV for the blend, calculated according to 40 CFR 98.33(a)(2)(ii), Equation 5-6. (MMBtu per mass or volume)

The annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from the combustion of a fuel blend is determined by substituting the above calculated values into Equation 5-1.

If the quantities of individual fuels blended for combustion are known, the CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions are calculated separately. Use the total measured mass or volume of a fuel component with its appropriate default CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor from Table 4-1, and the annual HHV (as calculated using Equation 5-5) in Equation 5-1 to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions for a component of the blended fuel.

If fuel sampling and analysis to derive HHV is not performed at the minimum frequency prescribed and if the unit qualifies to use Tier 1 calculations, a heat-weighted default high heat value [(HHV)<sup>\*</sup><sub>B</sub>] can be calculated using Equation 5-8. This value can be used to replace the (HHV)<sub>annual, B</sub> parameter to determine the heat-weighted CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the blend.

$$HHV_B^* = \sum_{i=1}^n [(HHV)_i \times (\%Fuel)_i]$$

Equation 5-8

Where:

- HHV<sub>B</sub><sup>\*</sup>** = Heat-weighted default HHV for the blend (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)

**(HHV)<sub>i</sub>** = Default HHV for fuel “i” in the blend, from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume)

**(%Fuel)<sub>i</sub>** = Estimated mass or volume percentage of fuel “i” in the blend (mass % or volume %, as applicable, expressed as a decimal fraction)

Substituting this value into Equation 5-1, in addition to the calculated emission factor of the blend, yields the heat-weighted CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the blend.

In the event that a fuel blend consists of fuels that are included in Table 4-1 and some that are not, calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> and other GHG emissions only for the fuels listed in Table 4-1 using the best available estimate of the mass or volume percentages of those fuels in the blend. The procedure for calculating mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from blends using fuels not in Table 4-1 involves modifying Equation 5-1 and Equation 5-7. For each fuel listed in Table 4-1, (%Fuel)<sub>i</sub> will apply to only those fuels by estimating the mass or volume percentage of the fuel in the blend divided by the sum of the mass or volume percentages of the Table 4-1 fuels. Equation 5-1 can be modified by using the “Fuel” term to represent the total mass or volume of the blended fuel combusted during the year multiplied by the sum of the mass or volume percentages of the Table 4-1 fuels in the blend. These procedures are discussed in 40 CFR 98.34 (a)(3)(iv).

### 5.3.3 Tier 2 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions Calculations

Annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions must be calculated and reported for units required to report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and only for those fuels that are listed in Table 4-2. There are two equations for the calculation of CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O – one applicable to units that do not produce steam, and the other applicable to those units which do not. When multiple fuels are combusted during the reporting year, sum the fuel-specific results from the applicable equations to obtain the total annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in metric tons. Refer to Section 5.6 for more information on fuel blends.

#### 5.3.3.1 Tier 2 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions from Units that do not Produce Steam

If Equation 5-1 was used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, use Equation 5-3 to calculate CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions using the same fuel and HHV values used in Equation 5-1.

#### 5.3.3.2 Tier 2 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions from Units that Produce Steam

$$CH_4 \text{ or } N_2O = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times HHV \times EF \times Fuel$$

Equation 5-9

Where:

**CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O** = Annual CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the combustion of a particular type of fuel (metric ton/year)

**Fuel** = Mass or volume of the fuel combusted, either from company records or directly measured by a fuel flow meter, as applicable (mass/yr or volume/year)

<b>HHV</b>	= Default high heat value of the fuel from Table 4-1 (MMBtu/mass or MMBtu/volume as applicable)
<b>EF</b>	= Fuel-specific default emission factor for CH <sub>4</sub> or N <sub>2</sub> O, from Table 4-2 (kg CH <sub>4</sub> or N <sub>2</sub> O per MMBtu)
<b>1 × 10<sup>-3</sup></b>	= Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

The second equation sanctioned for use with Tier 2 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions calculations is for units that use any fuel and produce steam. If Equation 5-6 was used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub>, it may be employed to calculate CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O using the same values for steam and the ratio of the unit's maximum rated heat input capacity as shown:

$$CO_2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times \text{Steam} \times B \times EF \quad \text{Equation 5-10}$$

Where:

<b>CO<sub>2</sub></b>	= Annual CO <sub>2</sub> mass emissions from MSW or solid fuel combustion (metric ton/yr)
<b>Steam</b>	= Total mass of steam generated by MSW or solid fuel combustion during the reporting year (lb steam/yr)
<b>B</b>	= Ratio of the boiler's maximum rated heat input capacity to its design rated steam output capacity (MMBtu/lb steam)
<b>EF</b>	= Fuel-specific default CO <sub>2</sub> emission factor, from Table 4-2 (kg/MMBtu)
<b>1 × 10<sup>-3</sup></b>	= Conversion factor from kilograms to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

## 5.4 Tier 3 Calculation Methodology

Tier 3 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions calculations are based on the annual average carbon content of the fuel and use molecular weights ratio. This approach is used primarily when the other methods cannot be employed.

### 5.4.1 Tier 3 Applicability

The following requirements, conditions, and/or restrictions should be used to evaluate the appropriateness of utilizing Tier 3 for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions calculations for a facility:

- May be used for a unit of any size that combusts any type of fuel listed in Table 4-1 (except MSW), unless Tier 4 is required.
- Must be used for a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr that combusts any type of fuel listed in Table 4-1 (except MSW) unless either of the following conditions apply:
  - The use of Tier 1 or 2 is permitted
  - Tier 4 Calculation Methodology is required

- Tier 3 must be used for a fuel not listed in Table 4-1 if the fuel is combusted in a unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr (or is in a group of units served by a common supply pipe, having at least one unit with a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr), provided that both of the following conditions apply:
  - Tier 4 is not required
  - The fuel provides 10 percent or more of the annual heat input to the unit or to the group of units served by a common supply pipe.

### 5.4.2 Tier 3 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Calculations

The annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions must be calculated for each fuel type. There are three equations that can be used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions via Tier 3 based on the phase (solid, liquid, gas) of the fuel.

#### 5.4.2.1 Tier 3 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from the Combustion of Solid Fuels

For solid fuels, use Equation 5-11:

$$CO_2 = \left(\frac{44}{12}\right) \times Fuel \times CC \times 0.91$$

**Equation 5-11**

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from the combustion of the specific solid fuel (metric ton/yr)
- Fuel** = Annual mass of the solid fuel combusted, from company records (short ton/yr)
- CC** = Annual average carbon content of the solid fuel (percent by weight, expressed as a decimal fraction, e.g., 95% = 0.95). The annual average carbon content is determined using the same procedures as specified for HHV, Equation 5-5
- 44/12** = Ratio of molecular weights, CO<sub>2</sub> to carbon
- 0.91** = Conversion factor from short tons to metric tons (metric tons/short tons)

#### 5.4.2.2 Tier 3 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from the Combustion of Liquid Fuels

For liquid fuels, use Equation 5-12:

$$CO_2 = \left(\frac{44}{12}\right) \times Fuel \times CC \times 0.001$$

**Equation 5-12**

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from the combustion of the specific liquid fuel (metric ton/yr)

- Fuel** = Annual mass of the solid fuel combusted, from company records (gal/yr). The volume of fuel combusted must be measured directly, using fuel flow meters calibrated according to 40 CFR 98.3(i)
- CC** = Annual average carbon content of the liquid fuel (kg Carbon per gallon of fuel). The annual average carbon content shall be determined using the same procedures as specified for HHV, Equation 5-5
- 44/12** = Ratio of molecular weights, CO<sub>2</sub> to carbon
- 0.001** = Conversion factor from kg to metric tons (metric tons/kg)

### 5.4.2.3 Tier 3 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from the Combustion of Gaseous Fuels

For gaseous fuels, use Equation 5-13:

$$CO_2 = \left(\frac{44}{12}\right) \times Fuel \times CC \times \left(\frac{MW}{MVC}\right) \times 0.001$$

**Equation 5-13**

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from the combustion of the specific gaseous fuel (metric ton/yr)
- Fuel** = Annual mass of the solid fuel combusted (scf/yr). The volume of fuel combusted must be measured directly, using fuel flow meters calibrated according to §98.3(i). Fuel billing meters may be used for this purpose
- CC** = Annual average carbon content of the gaseous fuel (kg Carbon per kg of fuel). The annual average carbon content shall be determined using the same procedures as specified for HHV, Equation 5-5
- MW** = Annual average molecular weight of the gaseous fuel (kg/kg-mole). The annual average molecular weight shall be determined using the same procedures as specified for HHV, Equation 5-5
- MVC** = Molar volume conversion factor at standard conditions, as defined in 40 CFR 98.6. Use **849.5** scf/kg mole if you select 68 °F as standard temperature and **836.6** scf/kg mole if you select 60 °F as standard temperature.
- 44/12** = Ratio of molecular weights, CO<sub>2</sub> to carbon
- 0.001** = Conversion factor from kg to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

Note: A routine fuel sample analysis should contain information regarding fuel-specific carbon content, density, and HHV. In addition, if the volumetric flow rate is unknown and the only information available is mass, a volumetric flow rate can be calculated using the fuel density. Refer to 40 CFR 98.33 for appropriate procedures using fuel density.

#### 5.4.2.4 Tier 3 Calculations for CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Fuel Blends

As with unblended fuels, it is necessary to calculate mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from blended fuels. These calculations apply to blends of fuel that are in the same state of matter. If the carbon content and/or molecular weight of each component of a fuel blend is accurately measured prior to blending, it is appropriate to use Equation 5-11, Equation 5-12, and Equation 5-13. If the fuel is already blended, consider the blended fuel to be a fuel type in and of itself. At the specified frequency, measure the carbon content and/or the molecular weight of the blend and calculate the annual average of each parameter as described in 40 CFR 98.33(a)(2)(ii). In addition, measure the mass or volume of the blended fuel combusted during the reporting year. Substitute these values into Equation 5-11, Equation 5-12, and Equation 5-13 to calculate the mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the combustion of blended fuels for units using Tier 3 methodology.

#### 5.4.3 Tier 3 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions Calculations

Annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions must be calculated and reported for units required to report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, but only for those fuels that are listed in Table 4-2. CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions for Tier 3 are calculated in the same manner as CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions for Tier 1. Use Equation 5-3 except when natural gas usage is in units of therms or MMBtu is obtained from gas billing records. In those instances, use Equation 5-4 but note that if the records are expressed in units of therms, multiply the usage/consumption value by 0.1 to convert it to MMBtu. When multiple fuels are combusted during the reporting year, sum the fuel-specific results from the applicable equations to obtain the total annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in metric tons. Refer to Section 5.6 for more information on fuel blends and CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions.

### 5.5 Tier 4 Calculation Methodology

Tier 4 is the most parameter specific calculation methodology. It uses quality-assured data from CEMS to calculate annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

#### 5.5.1 Tier 4 Applicability

Use the following scenarios to determine if Tier 4 methodology is appropriate to use:

**Scenario 1:** This scenario applies to individual units or when two or more stationary fuel combustion units are vented through a monitored common stack or duct and at least one of those units meets all of the following conditions:

- The unit has a maximum rated heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr or the unit combusts MSW and has a maximum rated input capacity greater than 600 tons per day of MSW.
- The unit combusts solid fossil fuel or MSW as the primary fuel.

- The unit has operated for more than 1,000 hours in any calendar year since 2005.
- The unit has installed CEMS that are required either by an applicable Federal or State regulation or the unit's operating permit.
- The installed CEMS include a gas monitor of any kind or a stack gas volumetric flow rate monitor, or both and the monitors have been certified in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 75, 40 CFR 60 or an applicable State continuous monitoring program.
- The installed gas or stack gas volumetric flow rate monitors are required to undergo periodic quality assurance testing in accordance to either Appendix B to 40 CFR 75 or Appendix F to 40 CFR 60, or an applicable State continuous monitoring program.

**Scenario 2:** This scenario applies to individual units or when two or more stationary fuel combustion units are vented through a monitored common stack or duct and at least one of those units meets all of the following conditions:

- The unit has a maximum rated heat input capacity of 250 MMBtu/hr or less or the unit combusts MSW with a maximum rated heat input capacity of 600 tons of MSW per day or less.
- The unit has both a stack gas volumetric flow rate monitor **and** a CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor.
- The unit combusts solid fossil fuel or MSW as the primary fuel.
- The unit has operated for more than 1,000 hours in any calendar year since 2005.
- The unit has installed CEMS that are required either by an applicable Federal or State regulation or the unit's operating permit.
- The installed CEMS include a CO<sub>2</sub> monitor and a stack gas volumetric flow rate monitor, and the monitors have been certified in accordance with either the requirements of 40 CFR 75, 40 CFR 60 or an applicable State continuous monitoring program.

- The installed CO<sub>2</sub> and stack gas volumetric flow rate monitors are required to undergo periodic quality assurance testing in accordance to either Appendix B to 40 CFR 75 or Appendix F to 40 CFR 60, or an applicable State continuous monitoring program.

Additionally, Tier 4 Calculation Methodology must be used for a unit that is required to report CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions if all of the monitors needed to measure CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions have been installed and certified by January 1, 2010. If a change occurs that triggers Tier 4 Calculation Methodology, Tier 4 must be used no later than 180 days following the date of the change (for example, the installation of continuous monitoring equipment). Tier 4 can be used for a unit of any size combusting any type of fuel, as well as for groups of stationary combustion units served by a common supply pipe.

### 5.5.2 Tier 4 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Calculations

The annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions must be calculated for each fuel type. If both biomass and fossil fuels are combusted during the year, the biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions must be determined and reported separately. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from all fuels combusted in a unit using CEMS must be calculated using Tier 4 calculation methodology using the CEMS data. This methodology requires a CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor and a stack gas volumetric flow rate monitor. In some situations, an O<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor may be used in place of a CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor to determine hourly CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations. Refer to 40 CFR 98.33 (a)(4)(iv) for further instruction on this substitution.

There may be instances where a combustion unit has a portion of the generated flue gas diverted from the main flue gas exhaust system for purposes such as heat recovery. In such cases, if the stationary combustion unit is subject to Tier 4, but the diverted gas is exhausted through a stack not equipped with CEM equipment to measure CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions, refer to 40 CFR 98.33(a)(4)(viii) for information regarding accurate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions calculation.

There are two equations that can be used for CO<sub>2</sub> calculations; the difference between the two is if the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration is measured on a wet basis or measured on a dry basis and corrected for moisture. Both equations provide an hourly CO<sub>2</sub> emission rate expressed in metric tons per hour. **To obtain the total CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in metric tons, multiply the following CO<sub>2</sub> emission rates by the operating time, in hours.** The operating time is only the time during which fuel is combusted. For common stack configurations, the operating time is the time during which effluent gases flow through the common stack. The hourly mass emissions (converted to metric tons) are summed over each calendar quarter and the quarterly totals are summed to determine the annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions.

### 5.5.2.1 Tier 4 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions if CO<sub>2</sub> Monitor Measures on a Wet Basis

Use Equation 5-14 to calculate hourly CO<sub>2</sub> concentration when the CO<sub>2</sub> monitor measures on a wet basis.

$$CO_2 = 5.18 \times 10^{-7} \times C_{CO_2} \times Q$$

Equation 5-14

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub> = CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rate (metric ton/hr)
- C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = Hourly average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration (% CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Q = Hourly average stack gas volumetric flow rate (scfh)
- 5.18 × 10<sup>-7</sup> = Conversion factor (metric tons/scf/% CO<sub>2</sub>)

### 5.5.2.2 Tier 4 CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions if CO<sub>2</sub> Monitor Measures on a Dry Basis

If the CO<sub>2</sub> monitor measures on a dry basis, corrections for the stack gas moisture content are needed because the flow monitor measures on a wet basis. In this instance, calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions as shown in Equation 5-15.

$$CO_2^* = CO_2 \times \left( \frac{100 - \%H_2O}{100} \right)$$

Equation 5-15

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>\* = Hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rate, corrected for moisture (metric ton/hr)
- CO<sub>2</sub> = Hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rate from Equation 5-14 (metric ton/hr)
- %H<sub>2</sub>O = Hourly moisture percentage in the stack gas (measured or default value, as appropriate)

There are several options to determine the moisture percentage value for the above equation. In order to decide which procedure is the most appropriate for a specific facility, refer to 40 CFR 98.33 (a)(4)(iii) for additional information.

### 5.5.3 Tier 4 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emissions Calculations

Annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions must be calculated and reported for units required to report CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and only for those fuels that are listed in Table 4-2. For unit's subject to Tier 4, calculate CH<sub>4</sub> and/or N<sub>2</sub>O using the following equation:

$$CH_4 \text{ or } N_2O = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times (HI)_A \times EF$$

Equation 5-16

Where:

- CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O = Annual CH<sub>4</sub> or N<sub>2</sub>O emissions from the combustion of a particular type of fuel (metric ton/yr)
- (HI)<sub>A</sub> = Cumulative annual heat input from combustion of the fuel (MMBtu/yr)

<b>EF</b>	= Fuel-specific emission factor for CH <sub>4</sub> or N <sub>2</sub> O, from Table 4-2 (kg/MMBtu)
<b>1 × 10<sup>-3</sup></b>	= Conversion factor from kg to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

It is appropriate to use best available information (*e.g.* fuel feed rate measurements, fuel heating values, engineering analysis) to estimate the cumulative annual heat input from combustion of that fuel or electronic data reports made for units subject to 40 CFR 75. If more than one type of fuel listed in Table 4-2 is combusted during the reporting year, use Equation 5-16 for each type of fuel. Sum the fuel-specific emissions to obtain the total annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions, in metric tons.

## 5.6 CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O Emission Calculation Procedures for Blended Fuels

When calculating annual CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions for units that combusted multiple fuels, use the appropriate equations for each fuel and sum them together. The appropriate equation is determined by using the CH<sub>4</sub>/N<sub>2</sub>O equation for the tier calculation methodology being used. For blends that are mixed and combusted without prior measurements, a reasonable estimate of the percentage composition of the blend is required. Multiply the estimated fuel percentage of the specific fuel component by the total annual mass or volume of the blended fuel combusted during the reporting year. The resulting value is the estimate of the annual consumption of that particular fuel. Multiply this value by the HHV of the fuel (or default value or the measured annual average value) to get an estimate of the annual heat input from that specific fuel. Use the appropriate equation to calculate CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O annual emissions for this fuel according to the Tier calculation method required. Finally, sum the values for all fuel components of the blend to obtain annual emissions for the blend.

## 5.7 Additional Calculation Methodologies

This section discusses alternative calculation methods for certain units' subject to 40 CFR 75 reporting requirements, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from sorbent, and biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from combustion of biomass with other fuels.

### 5.7.1 Alternative Methods for Certain Units Subject to 40 CFR 75

Stationary combustion units that do not fall in to the Electricity Generation source category (described in 40 CFR 98 Subpart D) and that report data to the EPA according to the requirements of 40 CFR 75 may qualify to use any of the following methods in lieu of using any of the four calculation methodology tiers. In other words, as an alternative to any of the four tier calculation methodologies, units that report to EPA year-round heat input data per 40 CFR 75 can calculate annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions using Part 75 methods.

### 5.7.1.1 Units Described in 40 CFR 98.33 (a)(5)(i)

For a unit that combusts only natural gas and/or fuel oil, does not fall into the Electricity Generation source category, and monitors and reports heat input data year-round according to Appendix D of 40 CFR 75, yet is not required by the applicable 40 CFR 75 program to report CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions data, annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions may be calculated as follows:

Use the hourly heat input data from Appendix D of 40 CFR 75 in conjunction with the following equation to determine the hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rates in tons per hour.

$$W_{CO_2} = \left( \frac{F_c \times H \times U_f \times MW_{CO_2}}{2000} \right)$$

**Equation 5-17**

Where:

- W<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>** = CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from combustion (ton/hr)
- MW<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>** = Molecular weight of carbon dioxide (**44.0 lb/lb-mole**)
- F<sub>c</sub>** = Carbon based F-factor, **1040 scf/MMBtu for natural gas; 1,420 scf/MMBtu for crude, residual, or distillate oil**; and calculated according to the procedures in section 3.3.5 of Appendix F 40 CFR 75 for other gaseous fuels (scf/MMBtu)
- H** = Hourly heat input in MMBtu, as calculated using the procedures in section 5 of Appendix F 40 CFR 75 (MMBtu/hr)
- U<sub>f</sub>** = **1/385 scf CO<sub>2</sub>/lb-mole** at 14.7 psia and 68 °F
- 2000** = Factor converting pounds to tons (lb/ton)

Multiply the hourly CO<sub>2</sub> hourly emissions by the operating time and sum for the year to calculate the annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions in tons per year. Divide by 1.1 to convert this value to metric tons.

### 5.7.1.2 Units Described in 40 CFR 98.33 (a)(5)(ii)

For a unit that combusts only natural gas and/or fuel oil, does not fall into the Electricity Generating source category, monitors and reports input data year-round according to 40 CFR 75.19, yet is not required by an applicable Part 75 program to report CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions data, annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions are calculated as follows:

$$W_{CO_2} = EF_{CO_2} \times HI_{hr}$$

**Equation 5-18**

Where:

- W<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>** = Hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions (ton/hr)
- EF<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>** = Either the fuel-based CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor (**0.059 for natural gas or 0.091 for oil**) or the fuel-and-unit-specific CO<sub>2</sub> emission rate from paragraph (c)(1)(iii) of 40 CFR 75.19 (ton/MMBtu)

**HI<sub>hr</sub>** = Either the maximum rated hourly heat input from paragraph (c)(3)(i)(A) of 40 CFR 75.19 or the hourly heat input as determined under paragraph (c)(3)(ii) of 40 CFR 75.19 (MMBtu/hr)

Multiply the hourly CO<sub>2</sub> hourly emissions by the operating time and sum for the year to calculate the annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions in tons per year. Divide by 1.1 to convert this value to metric tons.

### 5.7.1.3 Units Described in 40 CFR 98.33 (a)(5)(iii)

For a unit that is not in the Electricity Generating source category, uses flow rate and CO<sub>2</sub> (or O<sub>2</sub>) CEMS to report heat input data year-round according to 40 CFR 75, yet is not required under Part 75 to report CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions data, annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions are calculated as follows:

For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions measured on a wet basis:

$$E_h = K \times C_h \times Q_h \quad \text{Equation 5-19}$$

Where:

- E<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rate during unit operation (ton/hr)
- K** =  $5.7 \times 10^{-7}$  for CO<sub>2</sub> (ton/scf %CO<sub>2</sub>)
- C<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration during unit operation, wet basis, measured directly with a CO<sub>2</sub> monitor (%CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Q<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly average volumetric flow rate during unit operation, wet basis (scf/hr)

For CO<sub>2</sub> emissions measured on a dry basis:

$$E_h = K \times C_{hp} \times Q_{hs} \times \frac{(100 - \%H_2O)}{100} \quad \text{Equation 5-20}$$

Where:

- E<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission rate (ton/hr)
- K** =  $5.7 \times 10^{-7}$  for CO<sub>2</sub> (ton/scf %CO<sub>2</sub>)
- C<sub>hp</sub>** = Hourly average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in flue, dry basis (%CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Q<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly average volumetric flow rate during unit operation, stack moisture basis, (scf/hr)

Multiply the hourly CO<sub>2</sub> hourly emissions by the operating time and sum for the year to calculate the annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions in tons per year. Divide by 1.1 to convert this value to metric tons. Note that data from O<sub>2</sub> monitors may be used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub> emissions when a facility lacks CO<sub>2</sub> monitors. In these instances, the hourly average O<sub>2</sub> readings may be converted to CO<sub>2</sub> using Equation F-14a or Equation F-14b of Appendix F in 40 CFR 75 as applicable before applying Equation 5-19 or Equation 5-20.

### 5.7.2 Calculation of CO<sub>2</sub> from Sorbent (Units Without CEMS)

When a unit is a fluidized bed boiler equipped with a wet flue gas desulfurization system, or uses other acid gas emission controls with sorbent injection to remove acid gases, and the chemical reaction between the acid gas and the sorbent produces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, use Equation 5-21 to calculate the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the sorbent, except when those CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are monitored by CEMS. **The total annual emissions reported for the MRR shall include the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from fuel combustion and the sorbent produced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.**

$$CO_2 = 0.91 \times S \times R \times \left( \frac{MW_{CO_2}}{MW_S} \right)$$

**Equation 5-21**

Where:

- CO<sub>2</sub>** = CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from sorbent for the reporting year (metric ton/yr)
- S** = Limestone or other sorbent used in the reporting year, from company records (short ton/yr)
- R** = The number of moles of CO<sub>2</sub> released upon capture of one mole of the acid gas species being removed (R = 1.00 when the sorbent is CaCO<sub>3</sub> and the targeted acid gas species is SO<sub>2</sub>)
- MW<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub>** = Molecular weight of carbon dioxide (**44 lb/lb-mole**)
- MW<sub>S</sub>** = Molecular weight of sorbent, **100 if calcium carbonate** (lb/lb-mole)
- 0.91** = Conversion factor from short tons to metric tons (metric ton/ton)

Note that when a sorbent other than calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>) is used, determine site-specific values of R and MW<sub>S</sub>.

### 5.7.3 Biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Combustion of Biomass with other Fuels

Separate biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reporting is required for biomass fuels listed in Table 4-1 when a unit combusts a combination of those biomass fuels and fossil fuels. Separate reporting of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reporting is also required for the combustion of MSW. Separate calculation and reporting of biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is not required when tires are combusted.

If a biomass fuel not listed in Table 4-1 is combusted in a unit that does not use CEMS to quantify its CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions and has a maximum heat input capacity greater than 250 MMBtu/hr, and the biomass fuel accounts for 10 percent or more of the annual heat input capacity, Tier 3 must be used to determine the carbon content of the biomass fuel and for calculating the biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for reporting. When reporting biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, use the following calculation procedures

If a facility combusts any biomass fuel listed in Table 4-1, does not combust MSW or tires, uses any size unit that may or may not have CO<sub>2</sub> CEMS, and Tier 2 is not required, use Equation 5-1 to calculate annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass combustion.

The biomass combusted may be determined using company records, best information available, or with the following equation:

$$(\mathbf{Fuel})_p = \frac{(\mathbf{H} \times \mathbf{S}) - (\mathbf{HI})_{nb}}{2000 \times (\mathbf{HHV})_{bio} \times (\mathbf{Eff})_{bio}}$$

Equation 5-22

Where:

- (Fuel)<sub>p</sub>** = Quantity of biomass consumed during the measurement period “p” (ton/period)
- H** = Average enthalpy of the boiler steam during the measurement period (Btu/lb)
- S** = Total boiler steam production for the measurement period (lb/period)
- (HI)<sub>nb</sub>** = Heat input from co-fired fossil fuels and non-biomass-derived fuels for the measurement period, based on company records of fuel usage and default or measured HHV values (Btu/period)
- (HHV)<sub>bio</sub>** = Default or measured HHV of the biomass fuel (Btu/lb)
- (Eff)<sub>bio</sub>** = Percent efficiency of biomass-to-energy conversion, expressed as a decimal fraction
- 2000** = Factor converting pounds to tons (lb/ton)

If a facility uses a stationary fuel combustion unit that has a CO<sub>2</sub> (or surrogate O<sub>2</sub>) monitor and a stack gas flow rate monitor to calculate annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions, does not combust MSW or tires, and the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are only from combusted products (no sorbent or process emissions), biogenic emissions can be calculated using the following process. First, the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted per operating hour is calculated using the following equation:

$$V_{CO_2h} = \frac{(\%CO_2)_h}{100} \times Q_h \times t_h$$

Equation 5-23

Where:

- V<sub>CO2h</sub>** = Hourly volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted (scf)
- (%CO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly average CO<sub>2</sub> concentration, measured by the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor, or, if applicable, calculated from the hourly average O<sub>2</sub> concentration (%CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Q<sub>h</sub>** = Hourly average stack gas volumetric flow rate, measured by the stack gas volumetric flow rate monitor (scf/hr)
- t<sub>h</sub>** = Source operating time (hr)
- 100** = Conversion factor from percent to a decimal fraction (%)

Sum the results from Equation 5-23 for the reporting year to determine the total annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted ( $V_{total}$ ). Next, use the following equation to quantify the annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from fossil fuel combustion:

$$V_{ff} = \frac{\mathbf{Fuel} \times F_c \times \mathbf{HHV}}{10^6}$$

**Equation 5-24**

Where:

- $V_{ff}$  = Annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from combustion of a particular fossil fuel (scf/yr)
- Fuel** = Total quantity of the fossil fuel combusted in the reporting year, from company records, as defined in 40 CFR 98.6 (lb/yr for solid fuel, gal/yr for liquid fuel, and scf/yr for gaseous fuel)
- $F_c$  = Fuel-specific carbon based F-factor, either a default value from Table 1 in section 3.3.5 of appendix F to 40 CFR 75, or a site-specific value determined under section 3.3.6 of appendix F to 40 CFR 75 (scf CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)
- HHV** = High heat value of the fossil fuel, from fuel sampling and analysis (Btu/lb for solid fuel, Btu/gal for liquid fuel, and Btu/scf for gaseous fuel), sampled as specified (e.g., monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or by lot) in 40 CFR 98.34(a)(2). The average HHV shall be calculated according to 40 CFR 98.33(a)(2)(ii)
- $10^6$  = Factor converting Btu to MMBtu (Btu/MMBtu)

The annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> from the combustion of biomass is determined by subtracting the result of Equation 5-24 ( $V_{ff}$ ) from the total annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted ( $V_{total}$ ). Divide the annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass by the total annual volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to determine the biogenic percentage of the annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions expressed as a decimal fraction as shown in the following equation:

$$\% \mathbf{Biogenic} = \frac{V_{bio}}{V_{total}}$$

**Equation 5-25**

Where,

- %Biogenic** = Fraction of the volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from biogenic sources
- $V_{bio}$  = Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from biogenic sources (scf/yr)
- $V_{total}$  = Volume of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted from all sources (scf/yr)

Next, multiply the biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> volume fraction (%Biogenic) from Equation 5-25 by the annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in metric tons to calculate the annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions. The annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions used in this calculation are determined either using Tier 4 calculation methodology [40 CFR 98.33 (a)(4)(iv)], alternative calculation methodology [40 CFR 98.33 (a)(5)(iii)(B)], or an electronic data report required under 40 CFR 75.

If a facility has units that combust MSW, annual CO<sub>2</sub> biogenic emissions can be determined by using proportions of biogenic and non-biogenic emissions in the flue gas. This procedure can be used for any unit that co-fires biomass and fossil fuels including units equipped with CO<sub>2</sub> CEMS. First, calculate the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions for the unit using the appropriate methodology. Next, the relative proportions of biogenic and non-biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emission in the flue gas are determined on a quarterly basis using methods found in 40 CFR 98.34(d) (units whose primary fuel is MSW or as the only fuel with a biogenic component) and 40 CFR 98.34(e) (units using other biomass fuels including those that combust tires). The annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions are calculated by multiplying the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions by the annual average biogenic decimal fraction obtained from 40 CFR 98.34 (d) or 40 CFR 98.34 (e).

If a facility combusts MSW and/or tires that provide no more than 10 percent of the annual heat input, or if a small, batch incinerator combusts no more than 1,000 tons per year of MSW, the following procedure can also be used to estimate the annual CO<sub>2</sub> biogenic emissions. Use Tier 1 Calculation Methodology to determine the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from combustion of MSW and/or tires in the unit. This result is multiplied by a default factor to determine the annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in metric tons. For MSW the default factor is 0.60 and for tires, the default factor is 0.20. The use of Tier 1 Calculation Methodology is forbidden when the annual heat input capacity from tires exceeds 10 percent. If MSW is the primary fuel combusted in a unit or is the only fuel with a biogenic component, refer to 40 CFR 98.34(d) for quantifying the biogenic portion of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

If a facility uses Equation 5-1 to calculate biogenic mass emissions for wood, wood waste, or other solid biomass-derived fuel (except MSW), Equation 5-22 can be used to quantify biogenic fuel consumption. Document the use of these calculations in the GHG Monitoring Plan.

If a facility reports CO<sub>2</sub> emissions under 40 CFR 75, biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from biomass fuels listed in Table 4-1 (except for MSW and tires) may be calculated using the following equation:

$$CO_2 = 1 \times 10^{-3} \times (HI)_A \times EF$$

**Equation 5-26**

Where:

**CO<sub>2</sub>** = Annual CO<sub>2</sub> mass emissions from the combustion of a particular type of biomass fuel listed in Table 4-1 (metric ton/yr)

**(HI)<sub>A</sub>** = Annual heat input from the biomass fuel, obtained, where feasible, from the electronic emissions reports required under 40 CFR 75.64. Where this is not feasible use best available information, as described in 40 CFR 98.33(c)(4)(ii)(C) and (c)(4)(ii)(D) (MMBtu/yr)

**EF** = CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for the biomass fuel, from Table 4-1 (kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu)

**1 × 10<sup>-3</sup>** = Conversion factor from kg to metric tons (metric ton/kg)

## 5.8 Tires

The annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions can be estimated if tires provide 10 percent or less of the unit's annual heat input (or if combusted with MSW and the annual heat input for both fuels is less than 10 percent). In this case, it is appropriate to use Tier 1 calculation methodology to quantify the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and multiply the total annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by a default factor to determine the annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. For tires, the default factor is 0.20 and for MSW, the default factor is 0.60. This default factor represents the biogenic fraction of that fuel type of the whole biogenic emissions.

In instances where tire combustion provides more than 10 percent of a unit's annual heat input, the relative proportions of biogenic and non-biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are determined using procedures outlined in 40 CFR 98.34(d) and 40 CFR 98.34(e). Tires may be reported as part of the mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions or included in the biogenic report that contains the biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions because tires are partially biogenic. It is imperative that care be taken to avoid double counting tire emissions. If it is elected to report tires separately from mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, be sure that those emissions are not included in the mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions report.

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## **6 MONITORING AND QA/QC REQUIREMENTS FOR STATIONARY FUEL COMBUSTION UNITS**

### **6.1 Introduction**

Once a facility has determined the appropriate calculation methodology, data must be monitored for quality assurance. Because Tier 1 uses default values in the CO<sub>2</sub> emission calculations, there are no fuel flow calibrations or fuel sampling and analysis requirements for this method. It is very important that all methods/procedures used for the purpose of Monitoring and QA/QC Requirements are documented under the Monitoring Plan.

### **6.2 Tier 2 Monitoring and QA/QC Requirements**

Tier 2 calculation methodology relies on a calculated HHV to determine CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. There are several requirements that are fuel specific to ensure accurate quantification of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Appropriate fuel sampling and analysis methods are listed in 40 CFR 98.34 (a)(6). Note that all fuel samples must be taken at a location in the fuel handling system that provides a true representation of the fuel combusted. Fuel sampling and analysis may be performed more often than is required in order to obtain a more accurate representation of the annual average HHV. In these instances, the results of all valid fuel analyses should be used in the GHG emission calculations. If valid HHV are obtained at less than the minimum frequency, appropriate substitute data shall be used in the emissions calculations. The procedure for handling missing data is discussed in the following chapter. Note that because Tier 2 calculations depend on fuel flow rates from company records, there are no applicable fuel flow calibration requirements. Document all monitoring methods in the GHG Monitoring Plan.

#### **6.2.1 Natural Gas**

The requirements for sampling and analysis for natural gas sources are minimal. Sampling and analysis is required twice in a calendar year with samples taken at least four months apart.

#### **6.2.2 Coal and Fuel Oil (and Other Solid/Liquid Fuel Delivered in Lots)**

At least one representative sample is required from each fuel lot. In the case of fuel oil, a sample may be taken when there is an addition of oil to the unit's storage tank instead of lot sampling. If there are multiple deliveries resulting in multiple additions of fuel oil on a given day, a sample taken after the final delivery will suffice. If multiple deliveries of a particular fuel are received from the same supply source in a calendar month, it is appropriate to consider this as a lot and perform lot sampling. This is conditional upon the owner/operator documenting this procedure in the GHG Monitoring Plan. For coal, the "type" of fuel refers to the rank of the coal and for fuel oil, the "type" of fuel refers to the grade number or classification. Instead of lot sampling, a facility may opt to implement flow proportional sampling, continuous drip sampling, or daily manual oil

sampling. If daily manual oil sampling is performed, only sample on the days the fuel is being combusted.

### **6.2.3 Liquid Fuels other than Fuel Oil**

For liquid fuels, excluding fuel oil, sampling and analysis is required at least once per calendar quarter. These samples must be taken at least 30 days apart.

### **6.2.4 Gaseous Fuels other than Natural Gas**

For gaseous fuels, excluding natural gas, sampling and analysis is required at least once per calendar quarter. These samples must be taken at least 30 days apart.

### **6.2.5 Other Solid Fuels (except MSW)**

Weekly sampling is required to obtain composite samples that are analyzed monthly.

## **6.3 Tier 3 Monitoring and QA/QC Requirements**

Tier 3 calculation methodology uses the carbon content of fuel, the molecular weight of a gaseous fuel, and fuel flow meters or tank drop measurements for the determination of mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Therefore, it is important that the quantification of these variables are quality assured. For fuel sampling and analysis, it is required that the method be chosen from those listed in 40 CFR 98.34 (b)(4). Document all monitoring methods in the GHG Monitoring Plan.

### **6.3.1 Flow Meters**

Initial calibration of flow meters is required before any flow measurements may be used to calculate GHG emissions. The procedures for the initial calibration are described in 40 CFR 98.3(i). At some point, flow meters may be required to be recalibrated (flow meters used exclusively for the purpose of unit startup are exempt from recalibration). Examples of approved recalibration methods include using manufacturer's recommended procedures, an appropriate industry consensus standard method, or a method specified in the aforementioned CFR section. Fuel flow meters should be recalibrated at a frequency greater than or equal to that recommended by the manufacturer or by industry standard practice. Document the calibration and/or recalibration method in the Monitoring Plan.

In-situ calibration of the differential pressure, total pressure, and temperature transmitters is sufficient for the initial calibration of an orifice, nozzle, or venturi meter. A Primary Element Inspection (PEI) should be performed at least once every three years. If a mixture of liquid or gaseous fuels is transported by a common pipe, either meter each type of fuel separately or meter the mixed fuel using a calibrated meter.

Fuel billing meters are exempt from initial and on-going calibration requirements and from the Monitoring Plan and other recordkeeping requirements as long as the owners/operators of the facility share no common ownership with the suppliers of the fuel. Meters used exclusively to measure the flow rates of fuels that are used only for unit startup are also exempt from initial and ongoing calibrations.

### **6.3.2 Tank Measurement**

If used to quantify the volume of liquid fuel use, oil tank drop measurements must be performed according to any appropriate method published by a consensus-based standards organization, such as the American Petroleum Institute (API).

### **6.3.3 Carbon Content and Molecular Weight Determination**

Tier 3 calculation methodology utilizes the carbon content and/or molecular weight from the fuel to determine mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Therefore, it is imperative that these numbers are quality assured. It is important that all fuel samples are an accurate representation of the fuel combusted and analysis may be performed by either the owner/operator or supplier. When sampling frequency is based on a specific time period, fuel sampling and analysis is required only for those time periods in which the fuel is combusted. If sampling and analysis is performed on a greater frequency than the minimum requirement, the results of all valid fuel analyses should be used in the GHG emission calculations. If sampling and analysis is performed at a frequency that is less than that which is required, use appropriate substitute data in the emissions calculations. The procedures for substituting missing data is provided in Chapter 7 of this document.

### **6.3.4 Natural Gas**

Sampling and analysis is required twice a year for natural gas with samples taken at least four months apart.

### **6.3.5 Coal and Fuel Oil (and Other Solid/Liquid Fuel Delivered in Lots)**

At least one representative sample is required from each fuel lot. In the case of fuel oil, a sample may be taken when there is an addition of oil to the unit's storage tank instead of lot sampling. If there are multiple deliveries resulting in multiple additions of fuel oil on a given day, a sample taken after the final delivery will suffice. If multiple deliveries of a particular fuel are received from the same supply source in a calendar month, it is appropriate to consider this as a lot and perform lot sampling. For lot sampling, coal "type" refers to the rank of the coal and for fuel oil, the "type" refers to the grade number or classification. Document lot sampling in the GHG Monitoring Plan. Instead of lot sampling, a facility may opt to implement flow proportional sampling, continuous drip sampling, or daily manual oil sampling. If daily manual oil sampling is performed, only sample on the days the fuel is being combusted.

### **6.3.6 Liquid Fuels other than Fuel Oil and for Biogas**

Sampling and analysis is required at least once per calendar quarter with samples taken at least 30 days apart.

### **6.3.7 Gaseous Fuels other than Natural Gas and Biogas**

Daily sampling and analysis to determine the carbon content and molecular weight of a gaseous fuel is required if continuous, on-line equipment (such as a gas chromatograph) is in place to take these measurements. Otherwise, weekly sampling and analysis must be performed.

### **6.3.8 Other Solid Fuels (except MSW)**

Weekly sampling is required to obtain composite samples that are analyzed monthly. This differs from the solid fuels mentioned above as those fuels are delivered in lots.

### **6.3.9 Fuel Blends**

For solid fuel blends, weekly sampling is required to obtain a composite sample that is analyzed monthly. Liquid fuel blends or gas mixtures composed of only natural gas and biogas, requires sampling and analysis at least once per calendar quarter. For gas mixtures that contain gases other than natural gas (including biogas), daily sampling and analysis is required if continuous, on-line equipment is utilized to measure carbon content and molecular weight of the fuel. Otherwise, weekly sampling and analysis shall be performed. If fuel and sampling analysis occurs more often than is prescribed, the results of all valid analyses must be used in the GHG emission calculations. If sampling and analysis occurs less frequently than is prescribed, appropriate substitution values should be used in accordance with missing data procedures.

## **6.4 Tier 4 Monitoring and QA/QC Requirements**

Tier 4 calculation methodology relies on data from installed CEMS on stationary fuel combustion units to calculate annual mass CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. It is therefore important that the equipment is properly calibrated for quality assurance. If, during any operating hour, quality assured data is not obtained with a CO<sub>2</sub> monitor (or a surrogate O<sub>2</sub> monitor), flow rate monitor, or moisture monitor (if applicable), substitute data may be used to replace missing values in accordance with the missing data provisions discussed in Chapter 7 of this document.

### **6.4.1 Initial Certification for CO<sub>2</sub>, Flow Rate, and Moisture Monitors**

Prior to the use of data from measurement devices for Tier 4 calculation methodology, it is required that the devices be initially certified for accuracy. This process can be accomplished by following any of the procedures listed here:

- A facility has the option to follow the initial certification and recertification procedures as explained in 40 CFR 75.20(c)(2), (c)(4), and (c)(5) through

(c)(7) and the specifications and test procedures as outlined in Appendix A to 40 CFR 75.

- A facility may elect to use the calibration drift test and Relative Accuracy Test Audit (RATA) procedures of Performance Specifications 3 in Appendix B of 40 CFR 60 and Performance Specification 6 in Appendix B of 40 CFR 60.
- A facility may use the provisions of an applicable State continuous monitoring program.

Note: for stack gas volumetric flow rate monitors, RATA required by Appendix B of 40 CFR 75 and the annual RATA of the Continuous Emission Rate Monitoring Systems (CERMS) required by Appendix F of 40 CFR 60, need only be done at the operating level representative of a normal load or process operating conditions.

#### **6.4.2 O<sub>2</sub> Monitors**

If an O<sub>2</sub> monitor is used to determine CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations, adhere to the applicable procedures from 40 CFR 75, 40 CFR 60, or applicable state continuous monitoring program for initial and on-going quality assurance. All RATA required of the monitor must be done on a percent CO<sub>2</sub> basis.

#### **6.4.3 On-going Quality Assurance**

For on-going quality assurance, a facility may choose to adhere to the procedures outlined in Appendix B of 40 CFR 75, the procedures outlined in Appendix F of 40 CFR 60, or an applicable State continuous monitoring program. If a facility elects to follow the procedure in Appendix F of 40 CFR 60, perform daily calibration drift assessments for both the CO<sub>2</sub> monitor (or surrogate O<sub>2</sub> monitor) and the flow rate monitor, and conduct cylinder gas audits of the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor in three of four quarters of each year (except for non-operating quarters). This procedure also requires an annual RATA of the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration monitor and the CERMS. For stack gas volumetric flow rate monitors, RATA required by Appendix B of 40 CFR 75 and the annual RATAs of the CERMS required by Appendix F of 40 CFR 60, need only be done at the operating level representative of a normal load or process operating conditions for on-going quality assurance. Hourly average data from the CEMS must be validated in accordance with 40 CFR 60.13(h)(2)(i) through 40 CFR 60.13 (h)(2)(vi), 40 CFR 75.10 (d)(1), or the hourly data validation requirements of an applicable state CEM regulation.

## 6.5 Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) and Tires

When MSW is combusted in a unit as either the primary or solitary fuel with a biogenic component, determine the biogenic portion of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions using methods specified in 40 CFR 98.34(d), except when it is appropriate to use Tier 1 calculation methodology. Follow the same procedure when a unit combusts a combination of biomass and fossil fuels in any proportions. Conduct these methods in every calendar year quarter in which biomass and fossil fuels are co-fired in a unit to determine annual biogenic CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. If the primary fuel for multiple units is either MSW or tires and those units are feed from a common fuel source, testing at only one of the units is sufficient.

## 6.6 Required Records for QA/QC

An explanation of how the following equation inputs are determined from company records (or best available information when applicable) must accompany any required records:

- Fuel consumption when applied to Tier 1 and Tier 2 calculation methodologies, and in cases where multiple units share a common liquid or gaseous fuel supply, as detailed in 40 CFR 98.36(c)(4).
- Fuel consumption when Tier 3 is used for solid fuel.
- Fossil fuel consumption when the unit uses CEMS and a stack gas flow rate monitor to quantify CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, combusts both fossil and biomass fuel (except MSW or tires), and the emissions consist solely of combustion products.
- Sorbent usage when the sorbent produces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and 40 CFR 98.33(d) applies.
- Quantity of steam produced by a unit combusting MSW when Tier 2 calculation methodology is appropriate.
- Biogenic fuel consumption and HHV, when Equation 5-22 is used to calculate biogenic emissions. \*
- Fuel usage for CH<sub>4</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions calculations if more than one fuel type listed in Table 4-2 is combusted during the reporting year for units that qualify for and elect to use alternative CO<sub>2</sub> mass emission calculation methodologies or use Tier 4 Methodology.
- Mass of biomass combusted for premixed fuels that contain biomass and fossil fuel.

\* 40 CFR 98.34(f)(6) states to use sections 98.33(e)(5) and 98.33(e)(6) as procedures to determine and satisfy record keeping requirements for biogenic fuel consumption and HHV from company records/best available information. However, the CFRs do not contain 98.33(e)(6). The December 2010 Federal Register lists changes to 40 CFR 98 and include the deletion of 98.33(e)(4). It is highly suggestive in the latest CFR's that 98.33(e)(5) and 98.33(e)(6) were "moved up" when 98.33(e)(4) was deleted, but the reference to (e)(5) and (e)(6) remained unaltered.

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## **7 PROCEDURES FOR ESTIMATING MISSING DATA FOR STATIONARY COMBUSTION UNITS**

### **7.1 Introduction**

There may be times when quality assured data are unavailable for use in emission calculations and substitute data is needed. For example, equipment may malfunction or a fuel sample may not have been taken for analysis. It is important that all pertinent information is retained and reported as necessary for the GHG report for missing and replacement data values.

For units that use one of the four calculation methodologies and have missing data for the HHV, carbon content, or molecular weight of the fuel, use the arithmetic averages of quality-assured values of that parameter immediately preceding and following the missing data point as a substitute value. In other words, use the two most immediate quality assured values bracketing a missing data point and average those values to obtain an appropriate substitute value for the missing data. If the second bracketing value has not been obtained by the time the GHG report is due, it is appropriate to use the value of the first bracketing value as a substitute for missing data. If there is no quality-assured data available prior to the missing data event, substitute the first quality-assured value obtained after the missing data. If the missing data includes CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations, stack gas flow rate, percent moisture, fuel usage, or sorbent usage, the substitute value used must be based on the best available estimate of the parameter, based on all available process data. Types of process data include electrical load, steam production, or operating hours.

For units that are subject to the reporting requirements of 40 CFR 75, missing data substitution procedures of 40 CFR 75 must be followed for CO<sub>2</sub> concentration, stack gas flow rate, fuel flow rate, HHV, and fuel carbon content.

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## **8 DATA REPORTING FOR STATIONARY FUEL COMBUSTION UNITS**

### **8.1 Individual Unit versus Mass Emission Reporting**

To simplify reporting, facilities are allowed to report mass emissions from groups of units. Generally speaking, there are four types of unit groupings. Evaluate your unit configurations to see if you qualify to use mass emission reporting.

The first type of unit grouping is when the facility has an aggregation of units, which is two or more units, each of which has a maximum rated heat input capacity of 250 MMBtu/hr or less. As long as Tier 4 is not required and all the units in the group use the same tier methodology for any common fuels combusted, the facility has the option to report emissions individually for each unit or collectively for the group. Be sure to include the group identification number when reporting.

The second type of unit grouping includes common pipe configurations. In this scenario, gaseous or liquid fuel is fed to individual units via a common supply line or pipe (the units combust the same fuel). The combined emissions from all the units may be reported rather than emissions reported individually per unit as long as fuel quantity is accurately measured. When using this reporting method, you must consider the tier methodology used. The appropriate tier used to calculate emissions is based on the maximum rated heat input capacity of the largest unit in the group except where the applicable tier is chosen based on factors other than unit size. For example, the combustion of natural gas qualifies a common pipe configuration to use Tier 1 regardless of unit size if accurate fuel consumption is obtained from billing records. Be sure to include the common pipe number for this group when reporting. Refer to 98.36(c)(3) for facilities with diverted supply lines.

Monitored common stack or duct configurations comprise the third group type. This is a situation in which the flue gases or process off-gases or a mixture of a mixture of the two from two or more units at a facility are combined together in a common stack or duct before exiting to the atmosphere and if CEMS are used to monitor CO<sub>2</sub> emissions according to Tier 4 calculation methodology. Tier 4 Calculation Methodology must be used to calculate the mass emissions from the unit grouping. Be sure to include the common stack or duct identification number when reporting.

The final grouping is applicable when a common liquid or gaseous fuel supply is shared between one or more large combustion units, such as boilers, and small combustion sources, including, but not limited to, space heaters and hot water heaters. Reporting can be simplified by attributing all of the GHG emissions from combustion of the shared fuel to the large combustion unit(s), provided that:

- The total quantity of the fuel combusted during the report year in the units sharing the fuel supply is measured, either at the “gate” to the facility or at a point inside the facility, using a fuel flow meter, billing meter, or tank drop measurements (as applicable);
- On an annual basis, at least 95 percent (by mass or volume) of the shared fuel is combusted in the large combustion unit(s), and the remainder is combusted in the small combustion sources. Company records may be used to determine the percentage distribution of the shared fuel to the large and small units; and
- The use of this reporting option is documented in the Monitoring Plan. Indicate in the Monitoring Plan which units share the common fuel supply and the method used to demonstrate that this alternative reporting option applies. For the small combustion sources, a description of the types of units and the approximate number of units is sufficient.

## 8.2 Report Generation and Submission

The EPA has developed an annual GHG emissions reporting tool called the Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool (e-GGRT). Beginning in 2014 and thereafter, it is required that facilities use this tool for compliance with the MRR.

Once the designated representative has registered the facility in e-GGRT, the software prompts the user through the annual emissions report process. The user is prompted to select a source category and configuration (single unit, aggregation of unit, common pipe, common stack, or Alternative Part 75 reporters). Once the appropriate selection has been made, the user inputs unit level specific information. This information fulfills the data reporting requirements of 40 CFR 98.36.

Air Force bases that own/operate Stationary Combustion units that are subject to the MRR have two options for entering data into e-GGRT. One option is to directly enter into e-GGRT inputs to equations. This option does not keep inputs to equations data entered into e-GGRT confidential. The other option is to use the Inputs Verifier Tool (IVT), which does keep inputs to equations confidential. Use the IVT when reporting and keep all documents/records/summaries for at least five years.

IVT is embedded in e-GGRT software and automatically conducts electronic verification checks on the equation inputs. If a data element entered into the software produces a warning message for the data value, you may provide an explanation in the verification software of why the data value is not being revised. A verification summary is generated for the EPA for verification results. Keep this verification summary as it satisfies the recordkeeping requirement of 40 CFR 98.37 (b)(1) through 40 CFR 98.37 (b)(26). Note that IVT will not retain any inputs to the equations; therefore, maintain the file listing of the inputs used in the equations entered into IVT as a record

for five years. Also note that IVT will time out after 25 minutes of non-use and all information will be lost; therefore, the file should be saved locally if the user wants to upload the file and continue working on the data later. Facilities access the IVT module from the Fuel-specific Emissions page.

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## 9 MANDATORY GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING RULE EXIT STRATEGY

The language of the MRR provides an exit strategy for those facilities that accidentally or voluntarily reported emissions under the MRR and no longer want to report. Additionally, there are cessation of reporting provisions for facilities that reduce emissions below MRR thresholds.

### 9.1 Introduction

For most rules promulgated by the EPA, if an entity becomes subject to that rule, that entity will be subject to that rule indefinitely. However, that is not the case with MRR. The provisions of 40 CFR 98.2(i) can potentially allow installations that accidentally/voluntarily reported or are no longer subject to the rule to cease reporting. Figure 9-1. *USAF MRR Exit Strategy* illustrates this process.

### 9.2 Exit Strategy for Facilities Subject to MRR

If a facility is able to lower their CO<sub>2</sub>e emissions via means such as facility partitioning or change of operations, to less than 25,000 metric tons per year for five consecutive years, the owner/operator may discontinue reporting provided that the EPA receives notification of the cessation of reporting and is given an explanation for the reduction in emissions. This notification must be received by the EPA no later than March 31 of the year immediately following the fifth consecutive year of emissions below 25,000 metric tons per year. All records regarding those five consecutive years must be retained for three years following the year reporting stopped. If at any point in any future calendar year emissions increase to 25,000 CO<sub>2</sub>e metric tons per year, the owner/operator must resume reporting.

If a facility lowers the CO<sub>2</sub>e to less than 15,000 metric tons per year for three consecutive years, the operator may cease reporting with proper notification and explanation to the EPA. This notification must be received by the EPA no later than March 31 of the year immediately following the third consecutive year of emissions below 15,000 metric tons per year. All records must be retained for at least three years following the discontinuation of reporting. If at any point in any future calendar year emissions increase to 25,000 CO<sub>2</sub>e metric tons per year, the owner/operator must resume reporting.

If a facility ceases all applicable GHG-emitting processes and operations, that facility is exempt from reporting in the years following the cessation GHG-emitting activities provided that the operator notifies the EPA and certifies the closure of all GHG-emitting processes and operations no later than March 31 of the year following the changes. This does not apply to seasonal or temporary cessation of operations. If at any point GHG-emitting processes/operations are resumed, annual emission reporting must also resume.

### 9.3 Accidentally or Voluntarily Reported Exit Strategy

In general, the GHG MRR will apply only to USAF installations that meet the threshold requirements listed in 40 CFR 98.2(a). If a facility does not meet the threshold requirements, the facility is not subject to the requirements of the MRR. The MRR is explicit in 40 CFR §98.2(h): “an owner or operator of a facility or supplier that does not meet the applicability requirements of paragraph (a) of this section is not subject to this rule...” Once a facility is subject to the requirements of the rule, they must continue to report until they meet the exit requirements. However, it is possible that some facilities mistakenly reported under the MRR when the facility did not meet the threshold requirements. For example, improperly disaggregated facilities may have accidentally triggered MRR reporting by overestimating emissions. Retroactively applying facility partitioning may demonstrate that prior reporting was erroneous.

Facilities that accidentally/voluntarily reported should continue to report until they have met the provisions of 40 CFR 98.2(i) to cease reporting. These provisions can be applied **retroactively** to allow facilities that accidentally/voluntarily reported to cease reporting if they can demonstrate that GHG emissions are either:

- Less than 25,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e per year for the past 5 years, or
- Less than 15,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e per year for the past 3 years.

Keep all documents associated needed to demonstrate the cessation of reporting for at least three years after notifying the EPA. If emissions increase to 25,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>e per year or more, the facility must reinitiate annual reporting.

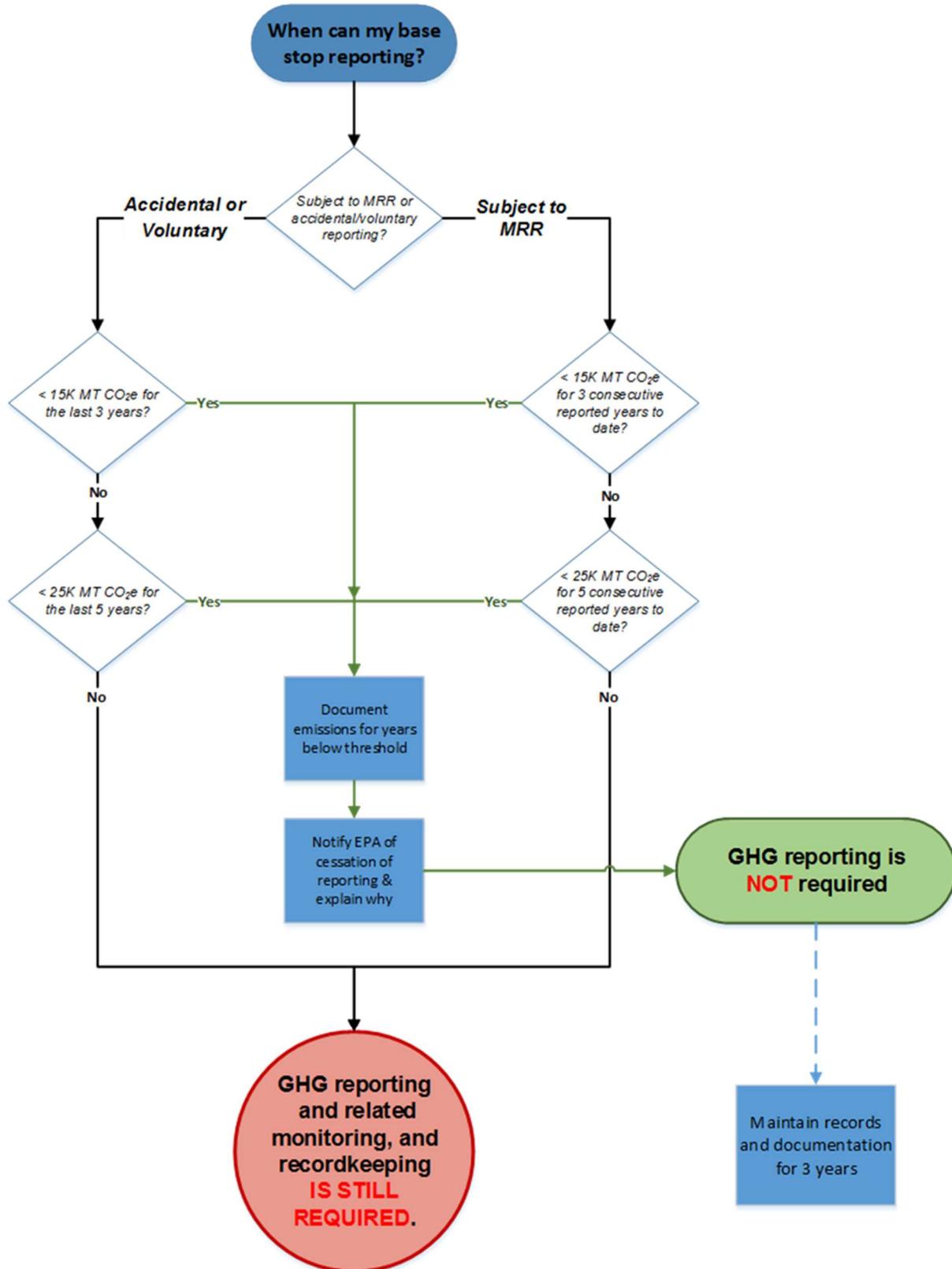


Figure 9-1. USAF MRR Exit Strategy

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## ACRONYMS/ BREVITY CODES

AFB	Air Force Base
APIMS	Air Program Information Management System
CAA	Clean Air Act
CAAA	Clean Air Act Amendments (of 1990)
CC	Carbon Content
CEMS	Continuous Emission Monitoring System
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CFRM	Continuous Flow Rate Monitor
CONUS	Continental United States
ECOM	External Combustion
EF	Emission Factor
eGGRT	Electronic Greenhouse Gas Reporting Tool
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
EPAct	Energy Policy Act
FLIGHT	Facility Level Information on Greenhouse Gases Tool
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GWP	Global Warming Potential
HHV	High Heat Value
ICOM	Internal Combustion Engine
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IVT	Input Verification Tool
MMBtu	Million British Thermal Units
MRR	Mandatory Reporting Rule
MSWL	Municipal Solid Waste Landfills
MSW	Municipal Solid Waste
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NESHAP	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration
QA/QC	Quality Assurance/Quality Control
RATA	Relative Accuracy Test Audit
SIC	Standard Industrial Classification
USAF	United States Air Force
US	United States

**ABBREVIATIONS** (Shortened form of a word or phrase)

µg	Microgram(s)
µm	Micrometer(s)
A-hr or Amp-hr	Ampere-hours
Btu	British Thermal Unit
°C	Degrees Celsius
CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Calcium Carbonate
CH <sub>4</sub>	Methane
CO <sub>2</sub>	Carbon Dioxide
CO <sub>2e</sub>	Carbon Dioxide Equivalent
°F	Degrees Fahrenheit
gal	Gallon(s)
hp	Horse Power
hr	Hour(s)
kg	Kilogram
kW	Kilowatt(s)
lb	Pound(s)
Mg	Megagram(s) [i.e., metric ton]
mg	Milligram(s)
MMBtu	Million British Thermal Units
N <sub>2</sub> O	Nitrous Oxide
NO <sub>2</sub>	Nitrogen Dioxide
NO <sub>x</sub>	Nitrogen Oxides
PFC	Perfluorocarbons
ppm	Parts per Million
scf	Standard Cubic Foot
SF <sub>6</sub>	Sulfur Hexafluoride
SO <sub>2</sub>	Sulphur Dioxide
tpy	Tons per Year
yr	Year(s)

## **Appendix**

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## APPENDIX A: GREENHOUSE GASES

### A.1 Introduction

Greenhouse gases are emitted from man-made and naturally occurring processes and affect the Earth by trapping heat from the sun. In other words, the gases prevent heat from escaping Earth's atmosphere. An abundance of these gases results in an increase of Earth's temperature, which is a driving force of climate change. The primary greenhouse gases released from anthropogenic sources are carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), methane (CH<sub>4</sub>), nitrous oxide (N<sub>2</sub>O) and fluorinated gases.

### A.2 Global Warming Potential

Greenhouse gases are assigned a Global Warming Potential (GWP). GWP is a measure of how much heat the gas traps in the atmosphere calculated over a specific time interval, typically 100 years. The higher the GWP, the greater the potential for the gas to trap heat, and the more harmful the gas is regarded. CO<sub>2</sub> is used as the baseline gas and assigned a GWP of 1. GWPs of gases commonly used by the USAF are in Table A-1 *Global Warming Potentials of Greenhouse Gases*. The GWPs are current as of November 2015.

**Table A-1. Global Warming Potentials of Greenhouse Gases**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Chemical Formula</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Global Warming Potential (100 yr.)</u>
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	124-38-9	1
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	74-82-8	25 <sup>(1)</sup>
Nitrous Oxide	N <sub>2</sub> O	10024-97-2	298 <sup>(1)</sup>
Sulfur hexafluoride	SF <sub>6</sub>	2551-62-4	22,800 <sup>(1)</sup>
Trifluoromethyl Sulphur pentafluoride	SF <sub>5</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	373-80-8	17,700
PFC-14 (Perfluoromethane)	CF <sub>4</sub>	75-73-0	7,390 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-116 (Perfluoroethane)	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	76-16-4	12,200 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-218 (Perfluoropropane)	C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	76-19-7	8,830 <sup>(1)</sup>
Perfluorocyclopropane	C-C <sub>3</sub> F <sub>6</sub>	931-9-9	17,340
PFC-3-1-10 (Perfluorobutane)	C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>10</sub>	355-25-9	8,860 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-318 (Perfluorocyclobutane)	C-C <sub>4</sub> F <sub>8</sub>	115-25-3	10,300 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-4-1-12 (Perfluoropentane)	C <sub>5</sub> F <sub>12</sub>	678-26-2	9,160 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-5-1-14 (Perfluorohexane, FC-72)	C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>14</sub>	355-42-0	9,300 <sup>(1)</sup>
PFC-6-1-12	C <sub>7</sub> F <sub>16</sub> ; CF <sub>3</sub> (CF <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CF <sub>3</sub>	335-57-9	7,820 <sup>(2)</sup>

Notes provided at the end of this table.

**Table A-1. Global Warming Potentials of Greenhouse Gases (Cont.)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Chemical Formula</b>	<b>CAS No.</b>	<b>Global Warming Potential (100 yr.)</b>
PFC-7-1-18	$C_8F_{18}; CF_3(CF_2)_6CF_3$	307-34-6	7,620 <sup>(2)</sup>
PFC-9-1-18	$C_{10}F_{18}$	306-94-5	7,500
PFPME (HT-70)	$CF_3OCF(CF_3)CF_2OCF_2OCF_3$	NA	10,300
Perfluorodecalin (cis)	$Z-C_{10}F_{18}$	60433-11-6	7,236 <sup>(2)</sup>
Perfluorodecalin (trans)	$E-C_{10}F_{18}$	60433-12-7	6,288 <sup>(2)</sup>
PFC-1114; TFE	$CF_2=CF_2; C_2F_4$	116-14-3	0.004 <sup>(2)</sup>
PFC-1216; Dyneon HFP	$C_3F_6; CF_3CF=CF_2$	116-15-4	0.05 <sup>(2)</sup>
PFC C-1418	$C-C_5F_8$	559-40-0	1.97 <sup>(2)</sup>
Perfluorobut-2-ene	$CF_3CF=CF_3$	360-89-4	1.82 <sup>(2)</sup>
Perfluorobut-1-ene	$CF_3CF_2CF=CF_2$	357-26-6	0.10 <sup>(2)</sup>
Perfluorobuta-1,3-diene	$CF_2=CF_3CF=CF_2$	685-63-2	0.003 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-23	$CHF_3$	75-46-7	14,800 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-32	$CH_2F_2$	75-10-5	675 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-125	$C_2HF_5$	354-33-6	3,500 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-134	$C_2H_2F_4$	359-35-3	1,100 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-134a	$CH_2FCF_3$	811-97-2	1,430 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-227ca	$CF_3CF_2CHF_2$	2252-84-8	2,640 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-227ea	$C_3HF_7$	431-89-0	3,220 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-236cb	$CH_2FCF_2CF_3$	677-56-5	1,340
HFC-236ea	$CHF_2CHF_2CF_3$	431-63-0	1,370
HFC-236fa	$C_3H_2F_6$	690-39-1	9,810 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-329p	$CHF_2CF_2CF_2CF_3$	375-17-7	2,360 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-43-10mee	$CF_3CFHCFHCF_2CF_3$	138495-42-8	1,640 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-41	$CH_3F$	593-53-3	92 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-143	$C_2H_3F_3$	430-66-0	353 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-143a	$C_2H_3F_3$	420-46-2	4,470 <sup>(1)</sup>
HFC-152	$CH_2FCH_2F$	624-72-6	53
HFC-152a	$CH_3CHF_2$	75-37-6	124 <sup>(1)</sup>

Notes for this table are on the following page.

**Table A-1. Global Warming Potentials of Greenhouse Gases (Cont.)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Chemical Formula</u>	<u>CAS No.</u>	<u>Global Warming Potential (100 yr.)</u>
HFC-1132a;VF2	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>2</sub> , CF=CH <sub>2</sub>	75-38-7	0.04 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1141;VF	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F, CH <sub>2</sub> =CHF	75-02-5	0.02 <sup>(2)</sup>
(E)-HFC-1225ye	CF <sub>3</sub> CF=CHF(E)	5528-43-8	0.06 <sup>(2)</sup>
(Z)-HFC-1225ye	CF <sub>3</sub> CF=CHF(Z)	5528-43-8	0.22 <sup>(2)</sup>
Solstice 1233zd€	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> ClF <sub>3</sub> ; CHCL=CHCF <sub>3</sub>	102687-65-0	2.34 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1234yf; HFO-1234yf	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ; CF <sub>3</sub> CF=CH <sub>2</sub>	754-12-1	0.31 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1234ze(E)	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ; trans-CF <sub>3</sub> CH=CHF	1645-83-6	0.97 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1234ze(Z)	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>4</sub> ; cis-CF <sub>3</sub> CH=CHF ; CF <sub>3</sub> CH=CHF	29118-25-0	0.20 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1243zf; TFP	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub> , CF <sub>3</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	677-21-4	0.12 <sup>(2)</sup>
(Z)-HFC-1336	CF <sub>3</sub> CH=CHCF <sub>3</sub> (Z)	692-49-9	1.58 <sup>(2)</sup>
HFC-1345zfc	C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	374-27-6	0.09 <sup>(2)</sup>
Capstone 42-U	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>9</sub> , CF <sub>3</sub> (CF <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	19430-93-4	0.16 <sup>(2)</sup>
Capstone 62-U	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>13</sub> , CF <sub>3</sub> (CF <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	25291-17-2	0.11 <sup>(2)</sup>
Capstone 82-U	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>17</sub> , CF <sub>3</sub> (CF <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	21652-58-4	0.09 <sup>(2)</sup>
<b>Default GWPs for which Chemical-Specific GWPs are NOT listed in Table A-1 40 CFR 98</b>			
Fully fluorinated GHGs			10,000
Saturated HFCs with two or fewer carbon-hydrogen bonds			3,700
Saturated HFCs with three or more carbon-hydrogen bonds			930
Unsaturated PFCs, unsaturated HFCs			1

SOURCE Table A-1 of "Title 40-Protection of the Environment, Chapter I-Environmental Protection Agency, Subchapter C-Air Programs, Part 98-Mandatory Greenhouse Gas Reporting, Subpart A- General Provision," U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.  
<sup>1</sup>The GWP for this compound was updated in the final rule published on November 29, 2013 [78 FR 71904] and effective on January 1, 2014.

<sup>2</sup>This compound was added to Table A-1 in the final rule published on December 11, 2014, and effective on January 1, 2015.

### A.3 Carbon Dioxide Equivalents for Air Force Installations

It is useful to express emissions of greenhouse gases in terms of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO<sub>2</sub>e) for quantitative and comparative purposes. For example, a jet engine may emit more than one greenhouse gas and the amounts of each gas may be different. By converting each gas into carbon dioxide equivalents, it is possible to derive a composite greenhouse gas emissions value that is

representative of all types and quantities of GHG's that are emitted from that engine. The following equation is used to sum the emissions from a source and convert them to CO<sub>2</sub>e.

$$CO_2e = \sum_{i=1}^n GHG_i \times GWP_i$$

Equation 27

Where,

- CO<sub>2</sub>e = Carbon dioxide equivalent (lb/MMBtu)
- GHG<sub>i</sub> = High Heat Value based emission factor of each greenhouse gas (lb/MMBtu)
- GWP<sub>i</sub> = Global warming potential for each greenhouse gas
- n = The number of greenhouse gases emitted

**Note that the above equation is used to calculate CO<sub>2</sub>e in units of pounds per million British thermal units. Ensure calculations are expressed in the desired units by using appropriate conversion factors.** Air Force specific greenhouse gas mass emission data are often poorly quantified. In most cases it is appropriate to use default emission factors based on the type of fuel combusted. The default values for several fuel types are provided in Table 4-1 and Table 4-2 of this guide.

#### A.4 Stationary Internal Combustion (ICOM) Example

Assume an Air Force Base has a model year 2005 diesel fired stationary combustion engine that is rated at 800 horsepower with a displacement of 18 L/cylinder. Greenhouse emissions for this engine expressed in **carbon dioxide equivalents** and **in units of lb/MMBtu** are calculated as follows:

**Step 1-** Select the appropriate greenhouse gas emission factors (EF<sub>GHG</sub>) based on high heat values from Table 4-1 and Table 4-2. The greenhouse gas emission factors for diesel fuel are 73.96 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/MMBtu, 3.0 x 10<sup>-3</sup> kg CH<sub>4</sub>/MMBtu, and 6.0 x 10<sup>-4</sup> kg N<sub>2</sub>O/MMBtu. Use GWP values from Table .

**Step 2-** Calculate emissions using Equation 27.

$$CO_2e = (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CO_2}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CH_4}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{N_2O})$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{73.96 \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right) \times (1) + \left( \frac{3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right) \times (25) + \left( \frac{6.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right) \times (298)$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{73.96 \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right) + \left( \frac{0.075 \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right) + \left( \frac{0.1788 \text{ kg}}{\text{MMBtu}} \right)$$

$$CO_2e = \frac{74.21 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \times \left( \frac{2.2046 \text{ lb}}{\text{kg}} \right)$$

$$CO_2e = 163.61 \frac{\text{lb}}{MMBtu}$$

## A.5 Aircraft Engine Cell Testing Example

Assume an Air Force Base must calculate greenhouse gas emissions from jet engine testing performed in a test cell. The engine burns Jet-A fuel (Kerosene-type jet fuel). Greenhouse emissions for this engine expressed in **carbon dioxide equivalents** and **in units of lb/1000 lb** are calculated as follows:

**Step 1-** Select the appropriate greenhouse gas emission factors ( $EF_{GHG}$ ) based on high heat values from Table 4-1 and Table 4-2. For Kerosene-type jet fuel, the greenhouse gas emission factors are 72.22 kg  $CO_2$ /MMBtu,  $3.0 \times 10^{-3}$  kg  $CH_4$ /MMBtu, and  $6.0 \times 10^{-4}$  kg  $N_2O$ /MMBtu. Use the GWP values from Table .

**Step 2-** Calculate emissions using Equation 27. For unit conversion, use the high heat value (from Table 4-1) and density for the fuel (0.135MMBtu/gal and 6.67lb/gal respectively).

$$CO_2e = (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CO_2}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CH_4}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{N_2O})$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{72.22 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) \times (1) + \left( \frac{3.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) \times (25) + \left( \frac{6.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) \times (298)$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{72.22 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) + \left( \frac{0.075 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) + \left( \frac{0.1788 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right)$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{72.47 \text{ kg}}{MMBtu} \right) \times \left( \frac{2.2046 \text{ lb}}{\text{kg}} \right) \times \left( \frac{0.135 \text{ MMBtu}}{\text{gal}} \right) \times \left( \frac{\text{gal}}{6.67 \text{ lb}} \right) \times 1000$$

$$CO_2e = 3,233.67 \frac{\text{lb}}{1000 \text{ lb}}$$

## A.6 Stationary External Combustion (ECOM) Example

Assume an Air Force Base has a subbituminous coal-fired ECOM unit, (e.g. boiler). Greenhouse gas emissions from this unit expressed in **carbon dioxide equivalents** and **in units of lb/ton** are calculated as follows:

**Step 1-** Select the appropriate greenhouse gas emission factors ( $EF_{GHG}$ ) based on high heat values from Table 4-1 and Table 4-2. For subbituminous coal, the greenhouse gas emission factors are 97.17 kg  $CO_2$ /MMBtu,  $1.1 \times 10^{-2}$  kg  $CH_4$ /MMBtu, and  $1.6 \times 10^{-3}$  kg  $N_2O$ /MMBtu. Use the GWP values from Table .

**Step 2-** Calculate emissions using Equation 27. Use the high heat value of subbituminous coal from Table 4-1 for unit conversion.

$$CO_2e = (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CO_2}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{CH_4}) + (EF_{GHG}) \times (GWP_{N_2O})$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{97.17kg}{MMBtu} \right) \times (1) + \left( \frac{1.1 \times 10^{-2}kg}{MMBtu} \right) \times (25) + \left( \frac{1.6 \times 10^{-3}kg}{MMBtu} \right) \times (298)$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{97.17kg}{MMBtu} \right) + \left( \frac{0.275kg}{MMBtu} \right) + \left( \frac{0.4768kg}{MMBtu} \right)$$

$$CO_2e = \left( \frac{97.92 \cancel{kg}}{MMBtu} \right) \times \left( \frac{2.2046lb}{\cancel{kg}} \right) \times \left( \frac{17.25\text{-}MMBtu}{ton} \right)$$

$CO_2e = 3,723.83 \frac{lb}{ton}$
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